

Your Course To College

The Official Guide to Financial Aid © Directory of Iowa Colleges and Universities

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Your Financial Aid Connection

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About the Commission

The Commission has over 40 years of experience connecting students and families with the essential resources and services to make higher education possible. Along with our experience, we continue to expand our capabilities and services to meet and exceed the needs of students, colleges and universities, lenders, and communities that we serve. We listen, understand, and pro-actively respond with truth and integrity, to the changing needs of our customers. When it comes to service, our customers have our undivided attention. We serve you:

As a Guarantor:

The Commission is the designated guarantor for the state of Iowa.

The Commission pays the 1% federal default fee on Stafford and PLUS, saving parents and students approximately \$4.5 million.

The Commission guarantees over \$410 million in Family Federal Education Loans annually.

- The Commission oversees school and lender federal student loan programs.
- The Commission provides a state of the art financial aid delivery system to colleges and universities and lenders which ensures quality and timely delivery to parents and students.

As an Administrator of State Funds:

The Commission administers over \$55 million each year in Iowa General Fund Appropriations for need-based scholarships, grants, and work-study opportunities. The Commission also actively pursues additional state funding for increased need-based aid awards.

As an Information Resource

The Commission provides information and resources for all Iowans on student financial aid. The Commission's website provides information on scholarships, grants, student loans, career decision making, and much more.

Our Mission

We advocate for, and provide a continuum of services to support, Iowa students and families as they explore and finance educational opportunities beyond high school.

Important Dates to Remember

January 1, 2007

The FAFSA is available on the web at www.fafsa.ed.gov. FAFSA processing begins on January 2, 2007.

February 1, 2007

Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarships deadline.

May 1, 2007

Teacher Forgivable Loan online submission priority deadline.

May 2, 2007

Governor Terry E. Branstad Iowa State Fair Scholarship (postmark date).

July 1, 2007

Priority deadline for Iowa scholarships and grants (Iowa Tuition Grant, Iowa Vocational-Technical Grant, and Iowa Grant.)

Helpful Web Sites

www.IowaCollegeAid.gov

www.FAFSA.ed.gov

www.Mapping-Your-Future.org

www.FinAid.org

www.CollegelsPossible.org

www.FastWeb.org

www.CollegeBoard.com

www.CollegePlanning.org

www.petersons.com

2006-2007 OFFICIAL GUIDE TO FINANCIAL AID

You can rely on the Iowa College Student Aid Commission for free and reliable information to guide you through the college financial aid process.

We are a State agency, dedicated to serving Iowa students by awarding more than 25,000 scholarships and grants. We have also guaranteed loans for more than 55,000 Iowans. The Commission's role as Iowa's designated guarantor for the Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFELP) ensures availability of funds, while making a real difference in lowering the cost of borrowing. Students, parents, counselors, and others are encouraged to utilize the Commission's resources in order to learn more about low interest loans and special opportunities to have loans forgiven in return for service in the teaching or nursing professions.

Visit the Commission's website at www.iowaCollegeAid.gov or call the Information Service Center at 800-383-4222 for detailed information regarding programs and services.

Look for these special tips throughout this book.



Go Online



Money Matters



Deadline Note



Important Info



Financial Keys

FOUR STEPS TO FINDING FUNDS

Financial aid comes from many sources – the State of Iowa, the federal government, individual colleges and universities, private businesses or foundations, professional organizations, employers, community trusts, civic groups, and other entities. There are many different ways for families to pay for a college education, and the financial aid process itself is not as complicated as most people think. The process has become more standardized and Internet-friendly, and there are many financial aid professionals throughout Iowa who are available to respond to your questions or concerns. Follow these four steps and you'll be an expert in navigating the financial aid process.

1. Look for and apply for grants and scholarships

Grants

Grants are a form of financial assistance offered to support students with the greatest financial need. Grants do not need to be repaid and are available to students who meet the specific requirements of each grant program. Recipients of Iowa-funded grants must be Iowa residents. Iowa-funded grants assist more than 25,000 students every year, and additional grant support is extended through federal programs. Detailed grant information on page 7 tells you about eligibility and how to apply for these grants.

Scholarships

Various state, regional, and local scholarships are available to Iowa students. Scholarships are awarded competitively to students who meet the qualifications established for individual programs (e.g., high ACT/SAT scores, leadership or involvement in high school or community activities, talent or skill in an academic area, proficiency in sports or fine arts, etc.). Scholarships don't need to be repaid. Some are one-time awards, while others are renewable for multiple years of education.

Keys to Getting Scholarships:

- Apply early (start looking in your junior year of high school).
- Find out if local scholarships are available from community foundations, civic or fraternal organizations, or through a corporation or business with a presence in your community.
- Prepare a calendar with the deadlines for all applications, paying particular attention to the early deadlines that apply for some college-specific scholarships.
- Apply for as many scholarships as you can – hundreds are available, but selectively choose those with criteria that match your situation.
- Follow application directions precisely; DO NOT MISS DEADLINES.
- Line up letters of recommendation from references who can characterize your abilities.
- Do a thorough, thoughtful job on the essays.



Visit www.iowaCollegeAid.gov for a list of Commission-administered scholarships and the requirements for each.



Ask your guidance counselor about scholarships specific to students from your school or geographic area. Then visit your local library for assistance with finding books on scholarships, including Peterson's College Money Handbook, 2006.



A completed FAFSA serves as your application for State of Iowa grants (Iowa Tuition Grant, Iowa Vocational-Technical Tuition Grant, and Iowa Grant) and federal Pell Grants. FAFSA data determines eligibility for subsidized Stafford Loans and other forms of student aid.

Where to get your FAFSA

FAFSA on the Web is an online version of the application. The Web-based form is quick, easy, and secure. It includes online assistance and prompts. Because of its ease, FAFSA on the Web is the preferred process used by most students and families. It is available on the Web beginning January 1.



Find FAFSA on the Web at these Internet sites: www.iowaCollegeAid.gov or www.fafsa.ed.gov.

The paper version of the FAFSA is available from high school guidance offices in December. You may also request a paper application from the financial aid office of any college or university, or from the Iowa College Student Aid Commission.



2. Complete a FAFSA

Your Free Application for Federal Student Aid

Just about every family is eligible for some form of financial aid – grants, scholarships, work-study, or student loans. But to receive this aid, you must complete a FAFSA – the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. The FAFSA is a standardized form used to determine a student's financial need.

FAFSA Dates & Deadlines

Your completed FAFSA should be submitted as soon after January 1 as possible to receive financial aid for the next fall term.

July 1 is the application deadline for many grants and scholarships funded by the State of Iowa. Because your FAFSA serves as the standard application for State of Iowa grants, your completed FAFSA must be received by the processing center no later than July 1. All properly completed forms received on or before July 1 will be given priority status for state-funded programs.

Most colleges and universities have priority deadlines. Your FAFSA must be filed on or before these dates to be considered for limited federal or institutional financial aid.



Most college and university financial aid offices will need to see your FAFSA data much earlier – in February or March for some institutions.

You must complete ALL items on the FAFSA form. Your application will be delayed if you fail to include your Social Security Number, proper signatures, or other requested information. Such a delay may cause you to miss a deadline or lose priority consideration.

To fill out the FAFSA form, you will need the following current documents showing your and your parents' finances:

- Federal income tax returns
- W-2 forms
- Record of untaxed benefits received
- Bank statements
- Records of other savings and investments such as stocks, bonds, and mutual funds.

Gather these documents and complete the FAFSA. You may submit your FAFSA as early as January 2.

Specify Your College Choices

As you complete your FAFSA, you will be asked to provide a code for each college or university you are considering for enrolment. The inclusion of the six-digit code(s) will ensure that the report from your FAFSA is shared with campus officials who will evaluate your eligibility for various forms of state, federal, and institutional aid. Financial aid codes are typically listed in admission materials sent to prospective students.



You will find the six-digit FAFSA codes when you view the profile data for all Iowa colleges and universities, beginning on page 14. The full list of Iowa financial aid codes can also be found on the Commission's website. Go to the "Scholarships & Grants" section at: www.iowaCollegeAid.gov.



Factors in Choosing a College

- Cost
- Size/enrollment
- Area of interest
- School expertise or notoriety
- Diversity
- Average ACT score
- Extracurricular activities
- Type of learning environment
- Faculty/student ratio



Website addresses and telephone numbers are listed in the profile data for Iowa colleges and universities. Visit college websites and go to the sections for "prospective students" or "admissions."

Your FAFSA Calculation - Expected Family Contribution (EFC)

The U.S. Department of Education uses your FAFSA to calculate your Expected Family Contribution (EFC), the amount you may reasonably be expected to pay toward education expenses.

Variables that determine your EFC include family income, net worth, family size, age of older parent, state and federal taxes, number of family members attending college, and other pertinent information. You may use a financial aid calculator to estimate your EFC (the estimate is unofficial). A good internet site with this tool is www.finaid.org/calculators/quickefc.phtml.

Your EFC may change from year to year as family conditions or financial situations change. Even if you feel that your family's income will be too high to receive financial aid, you should still complete the FAFSA so colleges and universities know you desire other forms of financial assistance. Many scholarships and loans are awarded to students not requiring need-based financial assistance. Students must submit a new FAFSA each year.

SAMPLE EFC CALCULATION FOR A DEPENDENT STUDENT:*

Parents' combined income	\$60,000
Student's income	\$ 5,000
Parents' assets	\$10,000
Student's assets	\$ 950
Age of older parent	60
Family size (parents & children)	4
Number in college	1
Parents' contribution	\$ 5,517
Student's contribution	\$ 1,283
Expected Family Contribution per year (EFC)	\$ 6,800

*This illustrates an approximation of the Federal EFC figure that is calculated when you file a FAFSA.

3. Your Student Aid Report (SAR)

You will be sent a student aid report (SAR) about three weeks after you submit your completed FAFSA. The SAR contains EFC information, as well as initial information about your Pell Grant eligibility. Colleges and universities also use the SAR data to determine eligibility for other financial aid programs.

Read your SAR carefully and follow any instructions. It may include initial information about your eligibility for a federal Pell Grant, but that is just one of the multiple sources of aid. You will be notified of your eligibility for State of Iowa and federal financial aid and college-specific assistance through a financial aid award letter from the college or university. This is explained in Step 4.



Financial Need vs. College Costs

Financial Need = COA - EFC

Your Financial Need is equal to the cost of attendance (COA), minus your EFC. The cost of attendance is more than just the amount charged for tuition. It includes books, fees, and living expenses. The cost of attendance is determined by the college or university, and will vary by type of school, location, and major course of study.

Your EFC will remain the same in a given year (unless an unusual family situation arises), regardless of which college or university you attend. The amount of financial aid you may receive cannot exceed your total cost of attendance at each college or university. Your financial need will fluctuate, however, depending on the college or university that you attend. This is shown in the sample financial aid worksheet, located below, that uses the EFC from the example on page 6 and applies the data to the costs of Colleges A, B, and C.

SAMPLE FINANCIAL AID WORKSHEET

The expenses that make up the cost of attendance in this example are based on full-time attendance for a full academic year, August – May. These figures reflect actual costs for Iowa colleges and universities. The specific college costs for the 2006-07 academic year are listed in the profiles for each college and university beginning on page 15. Use this example to gain a better understanding of how colleges and universities calculate financial need.

SAMPLE FINANCIAL AID WORKSHEET (Financial Need in relation to Cost of Attendance)

College/University costs	School A	School B	School C	Your Choice
Tuition and fees	\$ 3,255	\$ 5,902	\$ 19,639	\$
Room and board	\$ 3,492	\$ 6,280	\$ 5,818	\$
Books and supplies	\$ 880	\$ 880	\$ 880	\$
Transp., personal expenses	\$ 2,595	\$ 2,595	\$ 2,595	\$
Cost of attendance	\$ 10,222	\$ 15,657	\$ 28,932	\$
Less EFC*	-\$ 6,800	-\$ 6,800	-\$ 6,800	-\$
FINANCIAL NEED:	\$ 3,422	\$ 8,857	\$ 22,132	\$

*FAFSA results determine EFC



Meeting College Costs

There are many ways to meet college costs, so don't automatically exclude higher-cost colleges from your consideration. Analyze the kind of academic and campus environment that is best for you.

Once you explore all avenues of funding and reach the point where you are notified of your financial aid package (Step 4), you may see that the financial assistance offered by higher-cost colleges and universities may narrow the gaps between lower-cost institutions.

Remember, financial need is met through a combination of federal, state and institutional grants; scholarships from numerous sources; college savings plans; student loans; parent loans; and student employment.



NOTE: College officials recognize that it is not realistic for many families to pay the full EFC from out-of-pocket funds or from a family's savings. Think of the EFC as the figure used by evaluators to assess financial need. Many families choose to replace a portion or most of the EFC through parent or student loans.

The financial aid package prepared by college officials to meet your family's specific needs will help you determine the best financial strategies to meet any unmet need.

4. Award Notification – review aid offers; choose the college and financing plan for your needs

Upon admittance, each college or university specified on your FAFSA will present you with an award letter describing the financial aid it can offer. This award letter will include the state and federal aid which you are eligible to receive, as well as college-specific scholarships. It is likely that your package also will include one or more types of student loans for you to consider.

Evaluate the kinds of aid offered in the award letter(s). When comparing aid packages from more than one college, consider how much assistance is from scholarships and grants (which do not have to be repaid) and how much is loan support (which must be repaid). Be certain you understand the terms and conditions of each loan. Ask school officials about any terms or provisions that need clarification.



NOTE THE DEADLINE FOR YOUR RESPONSE TO EACH AWARD LETTER
To accept the financial aid package offered, follow all instructions. This is likely to involve signing and returning documents by a specified deadline. You may be asked to provide additional information to college or university officials. Don't miss deadlines for accepting aid; the funds could be given to other students. Talk to campus officials if there is an unusual circumstance that delays your response.



Continue to research scholarship availability. While much of the scholarship process begins in the fall or early winter, some organizations may use spring dates for scholarship selection. Explore the array of private scholarships that may be available from businesses, local charitable foundations, religious organizations, or civic and fraternal organizations. Have reference letters ready and meet application deadlines.

The award letter sent by your selected college or university will specify the kind of loan(s) for which you are eligible. As you and your family prepare a budget to meet the expenses you will face as a student, you may want to consider the benefits of using the government's low-cost student loans or other financial strategies that may be available to you.

For the past several years, federal Stafford and PLUS Loans have been offered at very reasonable rates. The student loan program is described in detail beginning on page 10.



Student loans provide a tremendous return on your investment. But borrow wisely – and never borrow more than you need! All loans are not alike in terms of the fees charged to borrowers and repayment conditions. Be a smart consumer – plan your debt carefully and you may never make a better financial investment.

GRANT AND SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

STATE GRANTS

The State of Iowa appropriates funding for several student grant programs to provide families with access to and choice of higher education opportunities. Students who receive Iowa-funded grants and scholarships must be Iowa residents and attend an Iowa college or university. Federal grants and student loans are awarded to both Iowa and non-resident students.

Iowa Tuition Grant

Iowa Tuition Grants are awarded to Iowa students enrolled at colleges or universities (with accreditation through the Higher Learning Commission of the NCA) throughout Iowa. Nearly 16,200 undergraduate students receive these grants each year. The maximum award is \$4,000 per year for full-time students, and adjusted amounts are awarded to part-time students. The Iowa Tuition Grant is renewable. Priority is given to students with the greatest need.

How to apply: The FAFSA serves as the application. Submit it as soon as possible after January 1. By completing your FAFSA early in the year, the data is sent to the financial aid offices of the colleges or universities you are considering. If you are eligible to receive an Iowa Tuition Grant, notification will be included on your award letter from the college or university. To receive priority consideration for an Iowa Tuition Grant, your FAFSA must be received at the processing center on or before July 1 annually.

Iowa Vocational-Technical Tuition Grant

Vocational-Technical Tuition Grants assist Iowa residents in vocational, technical, or career programs at Iowa community colleges. The maximum grant is \$1,200 per year for up to two years of education. The amount is adjusted for part-time study.

How to apply: Submit a FAFSA as soon as possible after January 1. By completing your FAFSA early in the year, the data is sent to the financial aid offices of the colleges you are considering. If you are eligible to receive an Iowa Vocational-Technical Tuition Grant, notification will be included on your award letter from the college or university. To receive priority consideration for an Iowa Vocational-Technical Tuition Grant, your FAFSA must be received at the processing center on or before July 1.

Iowa Grant

The Iowa Grant is available to assist Iowa residents attending any accredited public or private college or university in Iowa. Priority is given to students with the greatest financial need. The maximum grant is \$1,000 per year, renewable for up to four years of undergraduate study.

How to apply: Submit a FAFSA as soon as possible after January 1. By completing your FAFSA early in the year, the data is sent to the financial aid offices of the colleges you are considering. If you are eligible to receive an Iowa Grant, notification will be included on your award letter from the college or university.

Iowa National Guard Educational Assistance Grants

The General Assembly appropriates funding to provide educational support for members of the Iowa National Guard. The Iowa Adjutant General determines eligibility. Approximately 1,000 men and women annually receive Iowa National Guard Educational Assistance, with average awards of \$3,000.

How to apply: Contact the Iowa National Guard Headquarters, Personnel Office, 77000 NW Beaver Drive, Johnston, Iowa 50131-1902.

Education and Training Voucher Program

Iowa's Education and Training Voucher Program (ETV) provides grants of up to \$5,000 per year to Iowa students who have been in Iowa foster care and who plan to attend or are currently attending eligible colleges or universities or approved training programs. The ETV program may assist with education-related expenses beyond tuition. Grants are renewable for education or training programs that extend beyond one year.

How to apply: Use the application specific to the ETV program. Applications are available from the "Scholarships & Grants" section of the Commission's website www.iowaCollegeAid.gov or by calling 800-383-4222.

FEDERAL GRANTS

Pell Grants

Pell Grants are funded by the federal government to assist undergraduate students with high financial need. For many students, Pell Grants provide a financial aid foundation to which aid from other federal and non-federal sources is added. Data from your FAFSA determines Pell Grant eligibility.

Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG)

In addition to Pell Grants, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants are given to undergraduate students with exceptional financial need. Awards depend on individual need and the amount of funding allocated to the institution. A completed FAFSA is required to determine eligibility.

Academic Competitiveness Grants

An eligible student may receive an Academic Competitiveness Grant of up to \$750 for the first academic year of study and up to \$1,300 for the second academic year of study.

Eligibility:

- U.S. citizen
- Federal Pell Grant recipient
- Enrolled full-time in a degree program
- Enrolled in the first or second academic year of your program of study at a two-year or four-year degree-granting institution
- Have completed a rigorous secondary school program of study (after January 1, 2006, if a first-year student, and after January 1, 2005, if a second-year student)
- If a first-year student, not have been previously enrolled in an undergraduate program
- If a second-year student, must have at least a cumulative 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale for the first academic year

If you have questions about eligibility for an Academic Competitiveness Grant, please contact your college or university financial aid office.

National SMART Grants

An eligible student may receive a National SMART Grant of up to \$4,000 for each of the third and fourth academic years of study.

Eligibility:

- U.S. citizen
- Federal Pell Grant recipient
- Enrolled full-time in a baccalaureate degree program at a four-year degree-granting institution
- Major in physical, life or computer science, engineering, mathematics, technology, or a critical foreign language
- Have at least a cumulative 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale

Please contact your college or university financial aid office for a listing of majors that qualify for the SMART Grant program.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship

The Byrd Honors Scholarship Program provides renewable scholarships of up to \$1,500 to Iowa high school seniors who demonstrate outstanding academic achievement. The competitive selection is determined by academic officials. Recipients may attend any accredited postsecondary institution in the United States.

Eligibility:

- Iowa resident/high school senior
- minimum 3.5 GPA and 28 ACT/1240 SAT test scores
- class ranking in top 10 percent

Applicants must meet specific course requirements including:

- two years of the same foreign language
- three years of social studies, science (including 1 year each of biology, chemistry, and physics), and math beyond general science and pre-algebra
- four years of English

How to apply: Applications are available in October from the Commission's website or from high school guidance counselors.

Deadline: February 1 (postmark date)

SCHOLARSHIPS

Governor Terry E. Branstad Iowa State Fair Scholarship

This scholarship recognizes outstanding high school seniors who have actively participated in the Iowa State Fair. Up to four scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$1,000 are awarded each year to Iowa students who enroll at Iowa colleges or universities.

How to apply: The deadline is May 1 (postmark date). Applications are available from high school guidance counselors or from the Commission's website www.IowaCollegeAid.gov/ScholarshipsAndGrants.

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS

The college or university you have chosen may provide scholarships or financial awards from its own institutional funds. Often, institutional scholarships are matched with recipients who meet specific eligibility conditions related to particular areas of study, academic achievements, outstanding talent, leadership, athletic ability, or other criteria. Contact the financial aid office at the college or university you've selected and inquire about institutional scholarships.

PRIVATE SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are available from a variety of sources including businesses, foundations, religious organizations, community groups, or fraternal organizations. Your high school guidance counselor is an excellent resource for scholarship information, as are libraries and college and university financial aid administrators.

Internet searches may also allow students and families the opportunity to explore a broader pool of scholarship possibilities. Reputable education organizations will NOT charge fees for the scholarship searches they offer. Many students and parents fall for "special offers" lurking on the Internet. Be wary of questionable claims and avoid fee-for-service offers. Links to reputable organizations that offer scholarship searches can be found under the "Helpful Links" tab on the Commission's website www.IowaCollegeAid.gov.



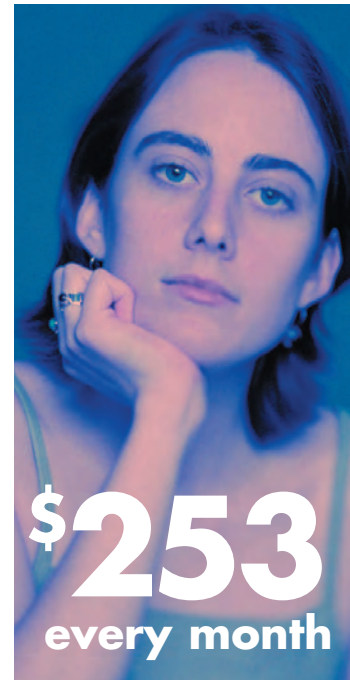
The Federal Trade Commission offers tips on recognizing scams and how to file a complaint: <http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/online/edcams/scholarship/>

STUDENT LOAN DETAILS



Learn about responsible loan repayment and the long-term consequences of debt before accepting a student loan.

Talk to your parents, banker, or college financial aid officer and know how much you will be expected to repay each month once you graduate or leave college. Factor that figure into a budget that will include payments for other expenses like a car, housing, food, etc.



The average borrower, after graduating from a four-year Iowa college or university, has accumulated \$22,000 in student debt. At that level and with an interest rate of 6.8%, the individual will need to repay a minimum of \$253 every month for 10 years.

STAFFORD LOANS

Interest rates on Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFELP) Stafford and PLUS Loans have been offered at low rates for the past several years. The following are the interest rates for the 2006-07 academic year:

Stafford Loan	6.80%
FFELP Parent and Graduate PLUS Loans	8.50%

The financial aid office at your college or university has processes in place to make it efficient for you to complete a student loan application and receive funds that are applied directly to your student account. A student must submit a completed FAFSA to receive a Stafford Loan.

At many Iowa colleges and universities, the Stafford and PLUS Loans are disbursed through the Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFELP). Private lenders and the Iowa College Student Aid Commission work in partnership with Iowa colleges and universities to deliver loan funds. The Commission's role is to guarantee the loans. Because of this guarantee, lenders are willing to make funds available and compete to offer borrowers better benefits and lower costs.

Other colleges use the federal government's Direct Loan Program (DLP). Although the funds move through the system in different ways, Stafford and PLUS Loans for both programs have identical eligibility requirements and loan limits.

There are two types of Stafford Loans:

Subsidized Loan – For students who demonstrate financial need (as determined through the FAFSA process). Students do not pay interest on the loan while in school or in grace or deferment periods.

Unsubsidized Loan – For students who do not qualify for subsidized Stafford Loans. Students will be responsible for paying interest charged throughout the entire life of their loan, even while in school. Interest may be added to the loan (capitalized) to avoid payments while in school.



Interest capitalization may seem helpful in the short-term, but you will have a larger loan balance when you enter repayment. You can avoid the costs of paying more interest on a higher loan balance if you (or your parents) are able to pay the monthly interest charges on your unsubsidized loans while you are in school.

STAFFORD LOAN SUMMARY

Interest rate: 6.8% fixed rate

Interest rates on Federal Stafford Loans disbursed on or after July 1, 2006 are fixed at 6.8%. If you have loans prior to 7/1/06, your interest rate is variable and adjusted every July 1. Please refer to the interest rate chart at www.iowaCollegeAid.gov for current interest rate information.

Disbursement: Your lender or the federal government disburses the funds directly to the college or university you attend. Expect loan proceeds to be apportioned for each academic period.

Repayment: Stafford Loan repayment begins six months after you graduate, withdraw, or drop below half-time enrollment. You have up to 10 years to repay federal student loans using a standard repayment plan. Extended repayment terms may be granted to borrowers with larger loan balances.

What is the limit on what you can borrow? The following chart provides you with the annual loan limits which are set by the federal government and reflect the combined total of subsidized and unsubsidized Stafford Loans.

MAXIMUM FEDERAL STAFFORD LOAN AMOUNTS

(SUBSIDIZED AND UNSUBSIDIZED LOANS)

Borrower's academic level	Annual amount for a dependent student	Annual amount for an independent student*
First year, undergraduate	\$2,625	\$6,625
Second year, undergraduate	\$3,500	\$7,500
Third year and beyond, undergraduate	\$5,500	\$10,500
Graduate/professional program student	\$8,500	\$18,500 [subsidized limit is \$8,500]
	Aggregate	Aggregate
Undergraduate	\$23,000	\$46,000 [subsidized limit is \$23,000]
Graduate/professional program student		\$138,500 combined undergraduate & graduate loans [subsidized limit is \$65,500]

* You are considered an independent student (self-supporting) if you meet ONE of the following conditions: age 24 or older, a graduate or professional student, married, a student with legal dependents other than a spouse, veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces, orphan or ward of the court until age 18.



Don't borrow more than you need! Refer to our borrower assistance website www.StudentLoanOutfitters.org to view various repayment options and estimate your monthly payment. You will find tools that show you how to pay less in interest while you repay your student loans and build a solid credit record.

FEDERAL PLUS LOAN SUMMARY

Federal PLUS Loans are available to parents of undergraduate students and graduate/professional students to pay for educational expenses. Many parents use plus loans instead of private loans to pay unmet educational expenses.

Who may borrow:

- Parents of dependent undergraduate students.*
(Any natural or adoptive parent, or spouse of a parent who is remarried, may apply for a PLUS Loan). The dependent student must be enrolled at least halftime.
 - Graduate/Professional students.*
- *A credit check will be performed by the lender before loan approval.

Interest rate: 8.5% fixed

Disbursement: Apply six to eight weeks before you need the money and use the same lender every year to simplify repayment. Your lender disburses loan proceeds directly to the college or university. Expect your loan to be apportioned for each academic term.

Repayment: Unlike Stafford Loans, the PLUS Loan does not have a grace period. Repayment begins within 60 days of the loan being fully disbursed. The borrower has up to 10 years to repay the loan, with a \$50 minimum monthly payment.

Loan Limits: Creditworthy parents and graduate/professional students may borrow up to the cost of education minus other financial aid.

OTHER TYPES OF STUDENT LOANS

PERKINS LOANS

A Perkins Loan is based on financial need and is borrowed directly from your college or university. It is offered at a fixed rate of interest – 5.00% – and no interest accrues until repayment. Limited federal funding is available for Perkins Loans.

PRIVATE LOANS

Private loans are available to students and families who need additional funding to bridge the cost of education and other sources of financial aid. As a general rule, students should only use private loans if they have already taken the full Federal Stafford Loan offered to them through their college or university. The reason for this is that private loans are not federally insured and may be more costly than Federal Stafford loans. Lenders who make private loans are often more selective about who may receive loans, many times requiring students to pass a credit check and have a co-signer. There are many types of private loans, all with unique fees and interest rates. If you need to borrow a private loan or have questions about them, contact your financial aid office.

LOAN FORGIVENESS AND CANCELLATION PROGRAMS

IOWA TEACHER SHORTAGE FORGIVABLE LOANS

The Iowa Teacher Shortage Forgivable Loan is similar to a grant because it offers “up-front” awards that apply directly to the education costs of recipients. It reverts to a loan if recipients change their career plans and don’t fulfill the conditions for which they receive the funds.

Iowa’s Teacher Shortage Forgivable Loan Program provides up to \$3,000 per year to students at the sophomore level and above. Recipients must be pursuing educational degrees that lead to teaching certification in designated shortage areas in Iowa’s K-12 schools. In return for the financial support that can extend up to \$9,000 (over three years of college), recipients agree to teach in shortage areas in Iowa schools for up to five years. Recipients of these loans must be Iowa residents enrolled in accredited Iowa colleges or universities. You may view a list of Iowa shortage areas at http://www.iowacollegeaid.org/loans/TeacherShortageDocs/TSFL_Fact_Sheet2.pdf

How to apply: The Iowa Teacher Shortage Forgivable Loan Program application is online at www.iowaCollegeAid.gov/loans. New applications are available each February. Applications are due May 1 for awards that recipients will use in the 2007-08 academic year. A student may also apply if he or she is scheduled for mid-year graduation (December 2007), as awards are disbursed by academic term.

FEDERAL STUDENT LOAN CANCELLATION FOR TEACHERS

Federal cancellation benefits also exist for teachers who serve in high-need areas throughout the country. The federal government's program may cancel up to \$5,000 in qualified student loans for borrowers who teach for five consecutive years in low-income schools. Additional benefits may be available to borrowers who teach grades 7-12 science or mathematics, or grades K-12 special education subject areas. You are required to make regular loan payments while completing a five-year service obligation, unless your outstanding balance will be less than the amount for which you qualify. The lender cannot refund loan payments you made before completion of your fifth year of teaching service. Before requesting an application, check with the lender holding your federal student loans to determine if you have qualifying loans.



View the Iowa shortage designations online, where you'll find more program information: www.iowaCollegeAid.gov/loans; or, request an information packet using this e-mail address: info@iowacollegeaid.gov. Please include "teacher loan cancellation" in the subject line of the e-mail.

NURSING EDUCATION FORGIVABLE LOANS

Similar to teaching, Iowa faces a shortage of professional nurses to meet health care needs throughout the state. One program that helps students pay for nursing education is the Iowa Student Loan Nursing Education Loan Forgiveness Program.

Loan forgiveness offered through Iowa Student Loan ensures that as many as 1,000 students enrolled in eligible programs to become Registered Nurses (RN) or Nurse Educators will qualify for student loan cancellation of up to \$20,000. Varying cancellation levels apply to different categories of nursing and areas of employment (e.g., long-term care facilities, nursing service in rural versus urban counties, service as a qualified nurse educator). Loan forgiveness applications must be submitted prior to the fall term for which the nursing student will use qualifying education loans.

Many students select nursing as their first career choice or as a mid-career change. By also choosing to stay in Iowa for employment in high-need areas of nursing, students can substantially lower their educational costs. Federal cancellation benefits also exist as incentives to recruit and retain quality nurses to serve in high-need areas.



For more information about federal nursing education loan repayment, visit this website: <http://bhpr.hrsa.gov/nursing/loanrepay.htm>; or, send us a request and we will send you information describing both state and federal nursing education loan repayment benefits.

E-mail: info@iowacollegeaid.gov and put "nursing loan forgiveness" in the subject line of the e-mail.

Selecting a college or university to attend and selecting a major are important decisions. These decisions are easier to make if you have a career plan.

CAREER PLANNING

IOWA CHOICES

Iowa Choices is the State of Iowa's designated online career and educational planning system that is utilized in Iowa middle schools, high schools and colleges and universities. It provides access to accurate and convenient career information and educational planning tools.

Iowa Choices connects students to information on careers, programs, majors, and colleges based on interests, abilities, and values. Because the system is web based, all information accessed on Iowa Choices can be saved to an online portfolio.

Career and college information through Iowa Choices is available at every middle school and high school in Iowa. For the 2006-2007 school year, middle schools will receive free access to Choices Explorer and high schools receive free access to Choices Planner. To access Iowa Choices, please visit your school counselor. You may also login to your portfolio at: www.CollegePlanning.org/IowaChoices.

Once you have an idea of a career path, we encourage you to explore the Iowa colleges and universities that offer programs that help you achieve your goal. The following map and chart provide a snapshot of common majors offered at Iowa colleges and universities and where they are located.

COMMON MAJORS OFFERED

This list is intended to provide you with information only. It is not intended to be comprehensive. The data was reported to the Commission by Iowa college and university officials through the 2005 Federal IPEDS survey. The programs shown are those in which students completed degrees in 2004-2005. Many colleges or universities offer related programs that may not be shown here. Please contact the colleges and universities directly for program specific information.

	ALB	Allen College	Ashford University	Briar Cliff University	Buena Vista University	Central College	Clarke College	Coe College	Cornell College	Des Moines College	Des Moines Comm. College	Divine Word College	Dordt College	Drake University	Eastern Iowa Comm. College	Faith Baptist College	Graceland University	Grand View College	Grinnell College	Hamilton College	Hawkeye College	Indian Hills Comm. College	Iowa Central
Agriculture, Operations and Sciences									X			X		X						X	X	X	X
Architecture and Related Programs																							
Area, Ethnic and Cultural Studies							X	X															
Biological and Biomedical Sciences		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X			X	X	X					
Business, Management, Marketing	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Communications Technologies & Support									X					X			X			X		X	
Communications & Journalism			X	X	X	X	X					X	X				X						X
Computer and Information Sciences	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Construction Trades									X					X							X	X	X
Education		X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X	X		X	X	X	X					
Engineering									X			X											
Engineering Technologies/Technicians									X					X						X	X	X	X
English Language and Literature/Letters		X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X	X			X	X	X					
Family, Consumer Sciences/Human Sciences									X					X						X	X		X
Foreign Languages and Literatures			X	X	X	X	X	X				X	X	X		X		X					
Health Professions and Clinical Sciences		X	X	X		X	X		X	X		X	X	X		X	X			X	X	X	X
History General			X	X	X	X	X	X				X	X			X		X					
Legal Professions and Studies	X								X				X						X				X
Liberal Arts and Sciences/General Studies		X			X	X		X	X			X	X	X		X	X			X	X	X	X
Library Science																							
Mathematics and Statistics			X	X	X	X	X	X				X	X			X	X	X					
Mechanic and Repair Technologies									X					X						X	X	X	X
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies		X		X	X		X	X					X	X				X	X	X		X	
Natural Resources and Conservations			X		X		X	X				X	X							X			X
Parks, Recreation, Leisure and Fitness			X	X	X		X	X				X				X							X
Personal and Culinary Services									X					X							X		
Philosophy and Religious Studies			X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X		X	X	X	X					
Physical Sciences				X	X	X	X	X				X	X			X		X					
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Psychology		X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X	X			X	X	X					
Public Administration and Social Services				X		X			X			X	X			X	X					X	
Science Technologies/Technicians																							
Security and Protective Services			X	X					X		X	X				X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Social Sciences		X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X	X			X	X	X					
Theology and Religious Vocations			X									X			X								
Transportation and Materials Moving														X						X	X	X	X
Visual and Performing Arts		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X			X	X	X	X	X			X

D BY IOWA COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

	College	Lakes Comm. College	Iowa State University	Iowa Valley Comm. College	Iowa Wesleyan College	Kaplan University	Kirkwood Comm. College	Loras College	Luther College	Maharishi University	Mercy College	Morningside College	Mount Mercy College	North Iowa College	NE Iowa College	NW Iowa Comm. College	Northwestern College	Palmer College	Simpson College	Southeastern College	Southwestern Comm. College	St. Ambrose University	St. Lukes College	University of Dubuque	University of Iowa	Upper Iowa University	Vennard College	Waldorf College	Warburg College	Western Iowa Tech Comm. College	William Penn University
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IOWA POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS



Algona

- ❧ Iowa Lakes Community College - 001864

Ames

- ▲ Iowa State University of Science and Technology - 001869
- ✦ Professional Cosmetology Institute - 015245
- ❧ William Penn University - College for Working Adults - 001900

Anamosa

- ✦ Carlson College of Massage Therapy

Ankeny

See Des Moines Area

Atlantic

- ❧ Iowa Western Community College - 004598

Belle Plaine

- ❧ Kirkwood Community College - 004076

Bettendorf

- ↔ Scott Community College (Eastern Iowa Community College District) - 004074

Boone

- ❧ Des Moines Area Community College - 004589

Burlington

- ✦ Dayton's School of Hair Design - 016901

Calmar

- ↔ Northeast Iowa Community College - 004587

Carroll

- ❧ Des Moines Area Community College - 004589

Cedar Falls

- ✦ American Institute of Commerce
- ☒ Hamilton College - E00920
- ❧ Hawkeye Community College - 004595
- ✦ La' James International College - 013006
- ▲ University of Northern Iowa - 001890

Cedar Rapids Area

Cedar Rapids

- ✦ American College of Hairstyling
- ✦ Capri College - 014390
- III Coe College - 001854
- ❧ Hamilton College - 004220
- ↔ Kirkwood Community College - 004076
- ✦ Mercy/St. Luke's School of Radiologic Technology
- III Mount Mercy College - 001880
- ✦ St. Luke's Hospital Medical Technology Program
- ✦ St. Luke's Hospital - Clinical Laboratory Science Program

Marion

- ❧ Kirkwood Community College - 004076

Mount Vernon

- III Cornell College - 001856

Centerville

- ❧ Graceland University - 001866
- ❧ Indian Hills Community College - 001849

Charles City

- ❧ North Iowa Area Community College - 001877

Cherokee

- ❧ Western Iowa Tech Community College - 004590

Clarinda

- ❧ Iowa Western Community College - 004598

Clinton

- ☒ Ashford University - 001881
- ↔ Clinton Community College (Eastern Iowa Community College District) - 001853

Council Bluffs

- ✦ Advanced Air Inc.
- ❧ Buena Vista University - 001847
- ✦ EQ School of Hair Design - 007611
- ❧ Hamilton College - E01153
- ↔ Iowa Western Community College - 004598
- ✦ Jennie Edmundson Hos. Sch. of Radiologic Tech.
- ✦ Key Real Estate School

Cresco

- ❧ Northeast Iowa Community College - 004587

Creston

- ❧ Buena Vista University - 001847
- ✦ Hair Tech School of Technology
- ↔ Southwestern Community College - 001857

Davenport

- ✦ Capri College - 007717
- ✦ Carver Aero, Inc.
- ✦ Davenport Barber Styling College - 017304
- ↔ Scott Community College (Eastern Iowa Community College District) - 004074
- ✦ Hamilton Technical College
- ✦ Institute of Therapeutic Massage and Wellness
- ☒ Kaplan University - 004586
- ✦ La' James College of Hairstyling - 021345
- III Palmer College of Chiropractic - 012300
- ✦ Quad Cities School of Real Estate
- III St. Ambrose University - 001889

Decorah

- III Luther College - 001874

Denison

- ❧ Buena Vista University - 001847
- ✦ Denison Job Corps Center
- ❧ Western Iowa Tech Community College - 004590

Des Moines Area

Ankeny

- ↔ Des Moines Area Community College - 004589
- III Faith Baptist Bible College and Theological Seminary - 007121
- ✦ Iowa College of Natural Health
- ❧ Simpson College - 001887
- ❧ Upper Iowa University - 001893

Des Moines

- III AIB College of Business - 003963
- ✦ American College of Hairstyling

Des Moines, continued

- ✦ College of Massage and the Healing Arts Center
- ❧ Des Moines Area Community College - 004589
- III Des Moines University - 015616
- III Drake University - 001860
- ❧ Graceland University - 001866
- III Grand View College - 001867
- ✦ Institute for Social & Economic Development
- ✦ Iowa Massage Institute
- ✦ Iowa Methodist Medical Center School of Radiologic Technology - 006267
- ✦ Iowa School of Beauty - 015139
- III Kingsway Christian College and Theological Seminary
- III Mercy College of Health Sciences - 006273
- ✦ Mercy School of Clinical Laboratory Science and Technology
- ✦ Vatterott College - 026092

Johnston

- ✦ La' James International College - 022741

Urbandale

- ✦ Body Wisdom Massage Therapy School
- ❧ Hamilton College - E00925

West Des Moines

- ❧ Des Moines Area Community College - 004589
- ✦ Iowa Real Estate School
- ❧ Simpson College - 001887
- ❧ Upper Iowa University - 001893
- ❧ William Penn University - College for Working Adults - 001900

Windsor Heights

- ✦ H & R Block

Dubuque

- ✦ Capri College - 007588
- III Clarke College - 001852
- III Emmaus Bible College - 016487
- III Loras College - 001873
- ❧ Northeast Iowa Community College - 004587
- ❧ University of Dubuque - 001891
- III Wartburg Theological Seminary - 001897

Emmetsburg

- ❧ Buena Vista University - 001847
- ↔ Iowa Lakes Community College - 001864

Epworth

- III Divine Word College - 001858

Estherville

- ❧ Buena Vista University - 001847
- ↔ Iowa Lakes Community College - 001864

Fairfield

- III Maharishi University of Management - 011113

Fayette

- III Upper Iowa University - 001893

Forest City

- III Waldorf College - 001895

Fort Dodge

- ❧ Buena Vista University - 001847
- ↔ Iowa Central Community College - 004597
- ✦ La' James International College - 008424
- ✦ Millenium College of Massage & Reflexology

Fort Madison

- ✦ Bill Hill's College of Cosmetology
- ❧ Southeastern Community College - 004603

Grinnell

- III Grinnell College - 001868

Harlan

- ❧ Iowa Western Community College - 004598

Indianola

- III Simpson College - 001887

Iowa City

- ✦ Eastwind School of Holistic Healing
- ✦ H & R Block Tax Training School
- ❧ Kirkwood Community College - 004076
- ✦ La' James International College - 009593
- ▲ University of Iowa - 001892

Iowa Falls

- ❧ Buena Vista University - 001847
- ↔ Iowa Valley Community College - Ellsworth - 001862

Johnston

See Des Moines Area

Keokuk

- ✦ Dayton's School of Hair Design - 016806
- ❧ Southeastern Community College - 004603

Lamoni

- III Graceland University - 001866

Le Mars

- ❧ Buena Vista University - 001847
- ✦ Le Mars Beauty College
- ❧ Western Iowa Tech Community College - 004590

Manchester

- ❧ Northeast Iowa Community College - 004587

Mapleton

- ❧ Western Iowa Tech Community College - 004590

Marshalltown

- ❧ Buena Vista University - 001847
- ✦ Iowa School of Beauty - 016519
- ↔ Iowa Valley Community College - 001875

Marion

See Cedar Rapids Area

Mason City

- ❧ Buena Vista University - 001847
- ❧ Hamilton College - E00926
- ✦ La' James College of Hairstyling - 007659
- ✦ Mercy Medical Center - North Iowa School of Radiologic Technology

Mason City, continued

- ↔ North Iowa Area Community College - 001877
- ✦ World Wide College of Auctioneering, Inc.

Monticello

- ❧ Kirkwood Community College - 004076

Mount Pleasant

- III Iowa Wesleyan College - 001871
- ❧ Southeastern Community College - 004603

Mount Vernon

See Cedar Rapids Area

Muscatine

- ↔ Muscatine Community College (Eastern Iowa Community College District) - 001882

New Hampton

- ❧ Northeast Iowa Community College - 004587

Newton

- ❧ Buena Vista University - 001847
- ❧ Des Moines Area Community College - 004589

Oelwein

- ❧ Northeast Iowa Community College - 004587

Orange City

- III Northwestern College - 001883

Osceola

- ❧ Southwestern Community College - 001857

Oskaloosa

- III William Penn University - 001900

Ottumwa

- ❧ Buena Vista University - 001847
- ↔ Indian Hills Community College - 008298
- ✦ Iowa School of Beauty - 016306

Pella

- III Central College - 001850

Peosta

- ❧ Northeast Iowa Community College - 012634

Red Oak

- ❧ Buena Vista University - 001847
- ❧ Southwestern Community College - 001857

Sheldon

- ↔ Northwest Iowa Community College - 004600

Shenandoah

- ❧ Iowa Western Community College - 004598

Sioux Center

- III Dordt College - 001859

Sioux City

- ✦ Bio-Chi Institute
- III Briar Cliff University - 001846
- ❧ Iowa School of Beauty - 034413
- ✦ Mercy Medical Center School of Medical Technology
- III Morningside College - 001879
- ✦ Real Estate School of Siouxland
- III St. Luke's College - 007291

Sioux City, continued

- ✦ Tri-State Graduate Center
- ↔ Western Iowa Tech Community College - 004590

Spencer

- ❧ Buena Vista University - 001847
- ❧ Iowa Lakes Community College - 001864

Spirit Lake

- ❧ Buena Vista University - 001847
- ❧ Iowa Lakes Community College - 001864
- ✦ Northwest Iowa School of Taxidermy

St. Charles

- ✦ Hutton Valley School of Taxidermy

Storm Lake

- III Buena Vista University - 001847
- ✦ Faust Institute of Cosmetology - 015973
- ❧ Iowa Central Community College - 004597

Tipton

- ❧ Kirkwood Community College - 004076

University Park

- III Vennard College - 001894

Urbandale

See Des Moines Area

Vinton

- ❧ Kirkwood Community College - 004076

Washington

- ❧ Kirkwood Community College - 004076

Waterloo

- III Allen College - 030691
- ✦ College of Hair Design - 007941
- ☒ Covenant School of Radiography
- ↔ Hawkeye Community College - 004595
- ✦ Livingston Aviation
- ❧ Upper Iowa University - 001893

Waverly

- III Wartburg College - 001896

Webster City

- ❧ Iowa Central Community College - 004597
- ✦ Storm Flying Service, Inc.

West Burlington

- ✦ Kindred Spirits School of Taxidermy
- ↔ Southeastern Community College - 004603

West Des Moines

See Des Moines Area

Williamsburg

- ❧ Kirkwood Community College - 004076

Windsor Heights

See Des Moines Area

*U.S. Office of Education federal school code numbers are provided following the institution's name for all postsecondary institutions eligible to grant Title IV aid to students. These numbers are used to identify postsecondary institutions on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).



State University



Nonprofit College or University



Proprietary College or University

❧ Satellite Campus

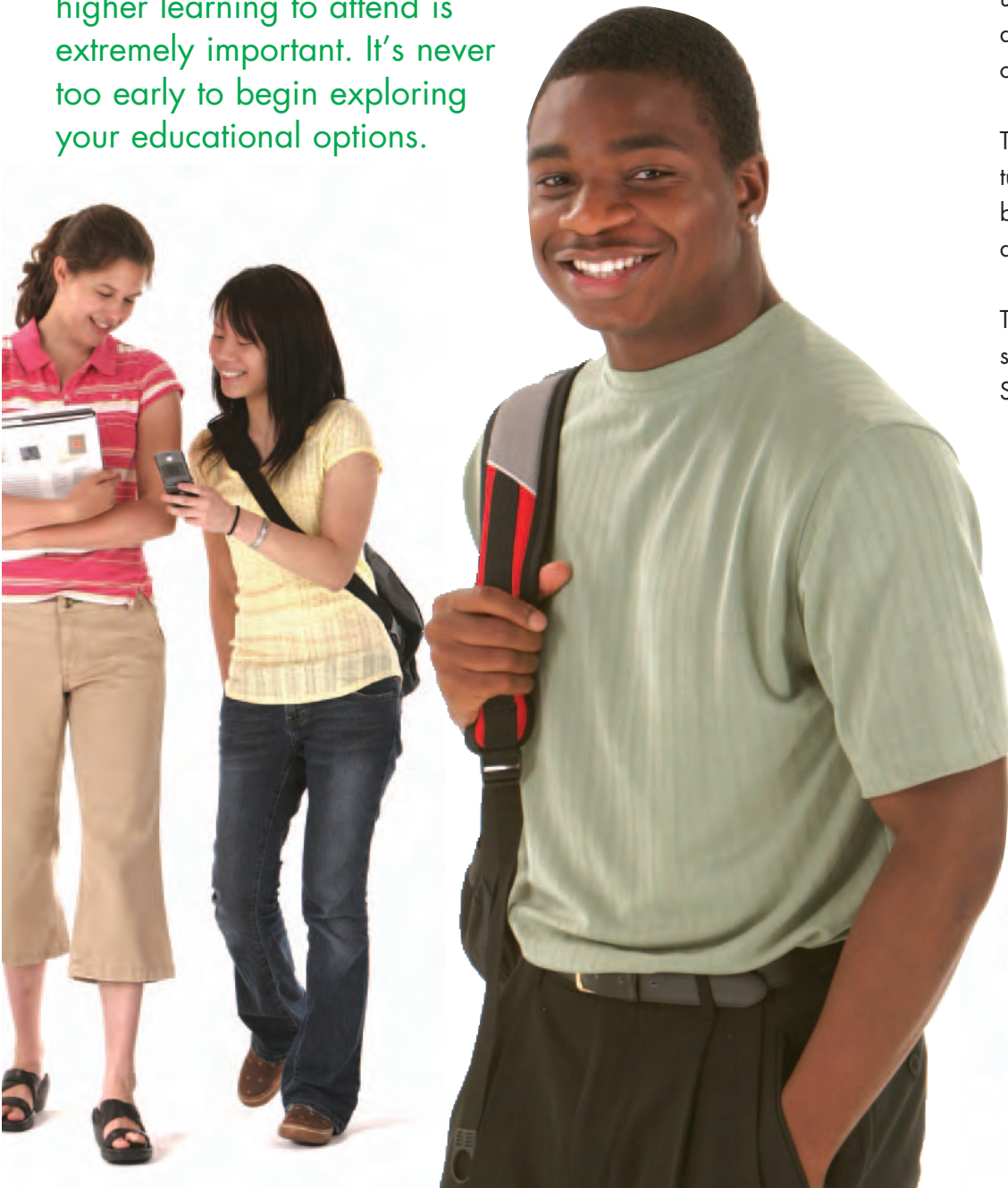


Community College



Trade or Technical School

Deciding which institution of higher learning to attend is extremely important. It's never too early to begin exploring your educational options.



Fortunately, Iowa has an outstanding higher education system that allows students to choose the institution that is right for them – including three regent universities, 30 independent colleges and universities, 15 community colleges, and several business colleges, colleges for nursing and health care professions, career technical and vocational schools, and beauty and barber schools.

The following directory of Iowa colleges and universities includes costs for tuition, fees, and on-campus room and board. These figures were supplied by the higher-education institutions in the spring of 2006, and reflect the costs anticipated for the 2006-07 academic year.

The expected costs of the 2007-08 academic year will be posted early in the summer of 2007. Visit each institution's website online through the Iowa College Student Aid Commission's website at: www.iowaCollegeAid.gov/colleges.



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IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

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Home Page: www.iastate.edu

County: Story

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 20,732 Undergraduate;
4,578 Graduate;
431 Professional

Tuition & Fees: \$5,860

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,445

Est. Books and Supplies: \$892

Admissions Director: Marc Harding
314 Alumni Hall
515-294-5836 or 800-262-3810

FAFSA Code: 001869

County Population: 80,404

Control/Affiliation: Public University

Highest Offering or Degree: Doctorate

Types of Programs: Engineering,
Agriculture, Design, Human Sciences,
Veterinary Medicine, Natural & Physical
Sciences, Liberal Arts, Business, Education.

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

Upper half of HS class

Financial Aid Director: Roberta Johnson
210 Beardshear Hall
515-294-2223 or financialaid@iastate.edu



Iowa State University is one of the nation's leading land grant universities serving the people of Iowa, the nation, and the world through its integrated programs of instruction, research, extension, and professional service.

Iowa State provides undergraduate programs across a broad range of disciplines. In its dedication to excellence in teaching, Iowa State strives to instill in its students the knowledge and skills essential for their individual development and their useful contribution to society.

A common goal of Iowa State's undergraduate education is to assure that all students, regardless of disciplinary major, acquire literacy in science and technology; an understanding of the intellectual, historical, and artistic foundation of our culture; and a sensitivity to other cultures and international concerns.

Iowa State is ranked as one of the nations top 50 public universities.

THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

107 Calvin Hall • Iowa City, IA 52242

Home Page: www.uiowa.edu

County: Johnson

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 20,300 Undergraduate;
6,085 Graduate;
2,041 Professional

Tuition & Fees: \$6,135

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,912

Est. Books and Supplies: \$840

Admissions Director: Michael Barron
107 Calvin Hall
319-335-3847 or 800-553-Iowa

FAFSA Code: 001892

County Population: 115,548

Control/Affiliation: Public University

Highest Offering or Degree: Doctorate

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts & Sciences,
Engineering, Business, Nursing, Pharmacy,
Teacher Preparation, and Professional

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: As soon
as possible after Jan. 1 for financial aid;
April 1 deadline for admissions applications

Minimum Admission Requirement:

Upper half of HS class; prescribed course
requirements

Financial Aid Director: Mark Warner
208 Calvin Hall
319-335-1450 or 800-553-Iowa

With the smallest student body among the Big Ten public universities, The University of Iowa offers some unique advantages for students by combining the resources of a major research university with an outstanding tradition in undergraduate education. The environment is competitive but not tense; friendly and helpful, but with an expectation of independent inquiry on the part of faculty.

Because its educational programs are firmly grounded in the liberal arts, the university fosters an open attitude toward learning and prepares undergraduates to live in and understand a rapidly changing and diverse world.



IOWA'S REGENT UNIVERSITIES

UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA

255 Gilchrist Hall • Cedar Falls, IA 50614

Home Page: www.uni.edu

County: Black Hawk

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 12,513

Tuition & Fees: \$5,912

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,740

Est. Books and Supplies: \$878

Executive Director

of Enrollment Management:

Roland Carrillo, 225 Gilchrist Hall
319-273-2701 or 800-772-2736

FAFSA Code: 001890

County Population: 130,000

Control/Affiliation: Public University

Highest Offering or Degree: Doctorate

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts & General

Education, Business, Teacher Preparation,

Pre-Professional Preparation, Energy &

Environmental Education

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: As soon
as possible after Jan. 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS: top-half rank; prescribed course
requirements; ACT; or GED score of 570 or
above



A campus-wide commitment to great teaching lies at the heart of the University of Northern Iowa's reputation for providing exceptional undergraduate education, as well as complementary programs at the master's, specialist and doctoral levels. Building on its historical excellence in teacher education, the university has developed outstanding programs in business administration, education, humanities and fine arts, natural sciences, and social and behavioral sciences.

UNI prides itself on putting "Students First." The university's size allows it to offer the faculty, facilities; and academic choices of a major university while retaining a friendly, small-college atmosphere. UNI has a compact, park-like walking campus located in northeast Iowa. The university attracts students from every county in Iowa, 46 states and 57 countries.



IOWA'S INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

AIB COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

2500 Fleur Drive • Des Moines, IA 50321

Home Page: www.aib.edu

County: Polk

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Quarter (day, evening, and online)

Enrollment: 900

Tuition & Fees: \$11,964—full-time, day-school student

On-Campus Room & Board: \$3,993

Est. Books and Supplies: \$900

Dean of Enrollment: Tim Hauber
515-244-4221 or 800-444-1921

Financial Aid Director: Connie Jensen
515-244-4221 or 800-444-1921

FAFSA Code: 003963

County Population: 400,000

Control/Affiliation: Nonprofit Independent

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate of Applied Science, Bachelor of Science

Types of Programs: Accounting, Business Administration, Financial Services, Sales & Marketing, Office Administration, Realtime Reporting including Judicial and Closed Captioning, Information Technology, Computer Network Administration (MCSE), Computer Network Security, Travel & Hospitality Management

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1

Minimum Admission Requirement: ACT 18 or Institutional Placement Tests



Over the past 85 years, AIB College of Business has established a strong reputation in the Des Moines business community. AIB provides a high-quality business education with an emphasis on the employment of graduates. AIB's unique schedule allows students to work in their chosen field, not only earning a degree, but valuable career experience. Day, evening, and online degree programs are available. AIB now offers a Bachelor's Degree Completion program where students with an Associate Degree or other college credits can apply them toward a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting or Business Administration. The 21-acre campus is located near downtown Des Moines and features furnished apartment-style housing, and a sports facility with a gym and fitness center.

BRIAR CLIFF UNIVERSITY

3303 Rebecca Street • Sioux City, IA 51104

Home Page: www.briarcliff.edu

County: Woodbury

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Trimester

Enrollment: 1,200 Undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$19,239

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,770

Est. Books and Supplies: \$825

Vice President of Enrollment

Management: Sharisue Wilcoxson
712-279-5200 or 800-662-3303

FAFSA Code: 001846

County Population: 110,000

Control/Affiliation: Roman Catholic

Highest Offering or Degree: Masters

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts, Teacher Preparation, Social Work, Nursing, and Pre-Professional

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 15

Minimum Admission Requirement:

2.0 GPA

18 ACT score

Financial Aid Director: Robert Piechota
712-279-5200 or 800-662-3303

Briar Cliff University is a community committed to higher education within a liberal arts and Catholic perspective. In the Franciscan tradition of service, caring and openness to all, Briar Cliff emphasizes quality education, combining a broad intellectual background with career development.

Briar Cliff offers majors in 31 areas, with additional pre-professional preparation in 12 fields. Briar Cliff's academic programs are rooted in the liberal arts to ensure that students are prepared for life beyond their first jobs. Some of Briar Cliff's unique features include its three-term calendar, an innovative leadership scholar program, and an active community service department. All students complete at least one internship. Ninety-six percent of graduates are employed within six months of commencement, and nearly all of those who apply are accepted into graduate school.



IOWA'S INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

BUENA VISTA UNIVERSITY

610 W. Fourth Street • Storm Lake, IA 50588

Home Page: www.bvu.edu

County: Buena Vista

Setting: Agricultural Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning

Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: 4-1-4

Enrollment: 1,200

Tuition & Fees: \$22,556

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,296

Est. Books and Supplies: \$750

Vice President of Enrollment:

J. Alan Coheley

800-383-2821 or 712-749-2235

FAFSA Code: 001847

County Population: 20,411

Control/Affiliation: Presbyterian/Private

Highest Offering or Degree: Masters

Types of Programs: Career-based Liberal Arts, Pre-Professional, Master's Degree in Education

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: June 1

Minimum Admission Requirement: HS

with Superior Aptitude

Financial Aid Director:

Leanne Valentine

800-383-2821 or 712-749-2164

Buena Vista University (BVU) is a private, four-year coeducational institution that prepares students for successful careers, as well as leadership and service in their communities. Founded in 1891 by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), BVU enrolls approximately 1,200 undergraduate and 100 graduate students on its main campus in Storm Lake, plus an additional 1,500 students at 15 locations throughout Iowa.

Through 45 majors in the schools of Business, Communication & Arts, Education, Science, and Social Science/Philosophy/Religion, BVU offers a balance between traditional liberal arts courses and innovative experiential learning opportunities that require the practical application of knowledge. Long a leader in information technology, BVU is currently at the nation's forefront in providing "anytime, anywhere" online access by creating a campus-wide wireless network and providing its students with laptop computers.



CENTRAL COLLEGE

812 University Street • Pella, IA 50219

Home Page: www.central.edu

County: Marion

Setting: Agricultural Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning

Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,635

Tuition & Fees: \$21,222

On-Campus Room & Board: \$7,224

Est. Books and Supplies: \$880

Dean of Admission: Carol Williamson

641-628-5285 or 877-462-3687

FAFSA Code: 001850

County Population: 30,200

Control/Affiliation: Reformed Church in America

Highest Offering or Degree: BA

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts, Pre-Professional, Teacher Preparation

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 15

Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS with Superior Aptitude

Financial Aid Director: Jean Vander Wert

641-628-5187 or 877-462-3687

The Central College journey is an adventure that connects your academic, social and personal lives. Your experience at Central will take you farther than you've ever imagined.

A four-year, residential, liberal arts college affiliated with the Reformed Church in America, Central has nine study abroad programs throughout the world in which almost half of Central's students study.

Quality facilities are a main attraction on campus. Two buildings on campus have received a gold and silver rating in Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design from the United States Green Building Council.

Students participate in numerous campus activities and intercollegiate athletics. During the past 10 years, the Dutch athletics program produced more than 100 all-Americans and 30 academic all-Americans from 17 sports offered. A member of the NCAA Division III and Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Central has won 11 national titles.



IOWA'S INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

CLARKE COLLEGE

1550 Clarke Drive • Dubuque, IA 52001

Home Page: www.clarke.edu

County: Dubuque

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,246

Tuition & Fees: \$20,297

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,574

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,000

Admissions Director: Andy Schroeder
563-588-6316 or 800-383-2345

FAFSA Code: 001852

County Population: 100,000

Control/Affiliation: Roman Catholic

Highest Offering or Degree: Doctorate

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts & Sciences,
Fine Arts, Nursing, Teacher Education,
Business, Education, Health Professions

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 15

Minimum Admission Requirement:

2.5 GPA, ranking in top 50%

in HS graduating class,

competitive ACT or SAT score

Financial Aid Director: Ann Heisler
563-588-6327 or 800-383-2345



Clarke College is a dynamic, Catholic, coeducational, liberal arts college known for superb teaching and academics. Academic offerings include more than 40 undergraduate liberal arts and pre-professional programs and four graduate degree programs. Founded in 1843 by the Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Clarke is located near the Mississippi River in Dubuque, Iowa. The college's 55-acre campus is a blend of historic buildings and new, state-of-the-art facilities.

COE COLLEGE

1220 First Avenue NE • Cedar Rapids, IA 52402

Home Page: www.coe.edu

County: Linn

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,245

Tuition & Fees: \$25,120

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,550

Est. Books and Supplies: \$700

Director of Admission: John Grundig
877-CALL COE

FAFSA Code: 001854

County Population: 197,262

Control/Affiliation: Independent

Highest Offering or Degree: BA, BSN,
B.MUS., MAT

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts,
Sciences & General, Teacher Preparation,
Pre-Professional

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement: HS
with Superior Aptitude

Director of Financial Aid: Barbara Hoffman
877-CALL COE

Founded in 1851, Coe College redefines the liberal arts with its recent addition of a required hands-on component.

In addition to major and general education courses, Coe students must complete a series of activities designed to lead them step-by-step through the process of preparing for their life's work. The process, which includes five hours of community service, issue dinners, and career-planning seminars, culminates with practical experiences. Students may satisfy this last requirement through an internship, research, practicum, or study abroad.

Coe College is one of the few private liberal arts institutions in the country to require hands-on learning for graduation. One student studied the effects of selective logging on rain forest organisms in Costa Rica while others interned at places like Warner Bros. and the Chicago Board of Trade. Still others combine-travel with internships or student teaching.



IOWA'S INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

CORNELL COLLEGE

600 First Street, West • Mt. Vernon, IA 52314

Home Page: www.cornellcollege.edu

County: Linn

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: One-Course-
At-A-Time

Enrollment: 1,175 Undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$24,800

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,660

Est. Books and Supplies: \$720

Vice President for Admissions

& Financial Aid: Jonathan Stroud
877-579-4049 or 319-895-4215

FAFSA Code: 001856

County Population: 197,262

Control/Affiliation: Independent, United
Methodist

Highest Offering or Degree: BA

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts,
Pre-Professional, Teacher Education

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS with Superior Aptitude

Financial Aid Director: Cindi Reints

319-895-4216 or 877-579-4049



One of the nation's finest, Cornell College is unique in U.S. higher education in offering the combination of liberal arts study with the One-Course-At-A-Time framework, an active residential community, an emphasis on student service and leadership, and an ideal, wooded hilltop setting that is listed in its entirety on the National Register of Historic Places. Cornell was founded in 1853 and is a fully wired campus with access to the campus and Internet from every residence hall room.

DIVINE WORD COLLEGE

102 Jacoby Drive, SW • P.O. Box 380 • Epworth, IA 52045

Home Page: www.dwci.edu

County: Dubuque

Setting: Agricultural Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning

Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 75

Tuition & Fees: \$9,700

On-Campus Room & Board: \$2,400

Est. Books and Supplies: \$500

Admissions Director:

Leonard Uhal

800-553-3321

FAFSA Code: 001858

County Population: 90,000

Control/Affiliation: Roman Catholic

Highest Offering or Degree: BA

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts & General

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: August 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS-GED

Financial Aid Director:

Carolyn M. Waechter

800-553-3321



Divine Word College Seminary in Epworth, Iowa, is the only four-year Catholic college in the United States devoted primarily to preparing men for work as future missionary brothers or priests. Students at Divine Word College receive a liberal arts education with a world view and major in either cross-cultural studies or philosophy. An associate of arts degree in cross-cultural studies is also available. Other special academic features can include junior year abroad, summer ministry placement for academic credit, and the opportunity to take selected courses at nearby colleges. Divine Word College is owned and operated by the Divine Word Missionaries, an international community of priests and brothers.

IOWA'S INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

DORDT COLLEGE

498 Fourth Avenue, NE • Sioux Center, IA 51250

Home Page: www.dordt.edu

County: Sioux

Setting: Agricultural Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,285 Undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$18,660

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,160

Est. Books and Supplies: \$780

Admissions Executive Director:

Quentin Van Essen

712-722-6080 or 800-343-6738

FAFSA Code: 001859

County Population: 30,200

Control/Affiliation: Christian Reformed

Highest Offering or Degree: Masters

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts, General,
Teacher Preparation

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS-GED, ACT test

Financial Aid Director: Michael Epema

712-722-6082



Dordt College is a Christian, comprehensive college located in Sioux Center, Iowa. Ninety-five percent of our students are full-time, and close to 90 percent live on campus. Associated with the Christian Reformed Church, we welcome all students interested in a Christ-centered education.

Dordt College offers accredited programs in Engineering, Nursing and Social Work, plus Agriculture, Business Administration, Computer Science, and some 35 other majors and areas of concentration.

DRAKE UNIVERSITY

2507 University Avenue • Des Moines, IA 50311

Home Page: www.choose.drake.edu

County: Polk

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 3,141 Undergraduate,

1,117 Graduate, 996 Professional

Undergraduate Tuition & Fees:

\$22,682

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,500

Est. Books and Supplies: \$900

Vice President of Admission &

Financial Aid: Tom Delahunt

515-271-2092 or

800-44-DRAKE, ext. 2092

Director, Student Financial Planning:

Susan Ladd 515-271-2905 or

800-44-DRAKE ext. 2905

FAFSA Code: 001860

County Population: 400,000

Control/Affiliation: Independent/Non-
denominational

Highest Offering or Degree: Doctorate

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts & General,
Teacher Preparation, Professional

Undergraduate Programs: Humanities,
Social Sciences, Natural Sciences, Fine Arts,
Business, Journalism, Pharmaceutical Science,
Education

Graduate Programs: Master's, Specialist,
and Doctorate in Education, Pharmacy
Doctorate, Master's Programs in Business,
Master of Communication and Leadership,
Juris Doctorate

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS-GED

Drake University is a private, coeducational, master's university in Des Moines, the state's center for business, publishing, government, and culture.

Drake offers its students more than 70 undergraduate majors in six colleges and schools – Arts and Sciences, Business and Public Administration, Education, Fine Arts, Journalism and Mass Communication, and Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

More than ninety-six percent of Drake graduates find professional employment or enter graduate school within six months of earning their degree.



IOWA'S INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

EMMAUS BIBLE COLLEGE

2570 Asbury Road • Dubuque, IA 52001

Home Page: www.emmaus.edu

County: Dubuque

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: ABHE and Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 265 Undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$9,116

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,308

Est. Books and Supplies: \$500

Admissions Director: Steve Schimpf
800-397-2425, ext. 1310

FAFSA Code: 016487

County Population: 90,000

Control/Affiliation: Plymouth Brethren

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate

Types of Programs: Computer Information Systems, Intercultural Studies, Elementary Education, Music Ministry, Youth Ministries, Biblical Exposition & Theology

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: June 10

Minimum Admission Requirement:
HS-GED

Financial Aid Director: Steve Seeman
800-397-2425, ext. 1309



Emmaus Bible College is an institution of higher learning where our faculty demonstrate scholarship and our students are expected to excel in learning. Emmaus seeks to disciple its students, not merely educate them. Students are trained in the context of a Christian community that offers maximum opportunity for spiritual growth. All students major in Bible and receive a double major if they also enroll in any of four other academic programs offered. Feel free to stop by and visit the campus to see if Emmaus may be the place for you. Or send an e-mail to our admissions department, info@emmaus.edu.

FAITH BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE AND THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

1900 NW Fourth Street • Ankeny, IA 50021

Home Page: www.faith.edu

County: Polk

Setting: Suburban

Accredited by: ABHE and Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 408 Students

Tuition & Fees: \$12,176

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,794

Est. Books and Supplies: \$880

Admissions Director: Tim P. Nilius
515-964-0601 or 888-FAITH-4-U

FAFSA Code: 007121

County Population: 400,000

Control/Affiliation: Independent/Nonprofit

Highest Offering or Degree: Masters

Types of Programs: Terminal Occupational below the BA, Professional

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:
HS-GED

Financial Aid Director: Breck Appell
515-964-0601 or 888-FAITH-4-U

Faith Baptist Bible College and Theological Seminary exists to provide an intensive biblical and vocational education that prepares students to minister effectively in Christian service through leadership positions. On the undergraduate level, programs are offered in Biblical Studies, Assistant Pastor, Pastor, Missions, Secretarial, Education and Music Ministries, with an emphasis available in Youth and Counseling. The graduate program offers three Master of Arts degrees and the Master of Divinity degree. Each program is carefully designed to integrate classroom learning and practical opportunities in ministries.



IOWA'S INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

GRACELAND UNIVERSITY

1 University Place • Lamoni, IA 50140

Home Page: www.graceland.edu

County: Decatur

Setting: Agricultural Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,050

Tuition & Fees: \$17,050

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,650

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,000

Dean of Admissions:

Brian Schantz

641-784-5110 or 866-Graceland

FAFSA Code: 001866

County Population: 8,444

Control/Affiliation: Community of Christ

Highest Offering or Degree: Masters

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts, General and Teacher Preparation, and Nursing

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: June 30

Minimum Admission Requirement:

H.S. grad., and meet at least two of the three criteria: upper half of class; 2.5 GPA; min. score of ACT 21/SAT 960. (Applicants who do not meet the criteria may be considered individually.)

Director of Financial Aid Services:

Sherry Morain 641-784-5136

Graceland University has challenged students for more than 100 years to embrace learning as a lifestyle. Students are encouraged to pursue a variety of intellectual choices through the university's firmly-based liberal arts tradition. Its rich history of diversity, acceptance, and intellectual pursuit found on the original campus in Lamoni, Iowa, has been taken to the second campus in Independence,

Missouri, satellite sites and programs offered on the Internet. Graceland attracts students from across the United States and many foreign countries.

Students may choose from 60 bachelor's degree options. Four master's degree programs are offered – in Nursing, Education, and Religion.

The Lamoni campus offers a strong community-based housing program, 17 varsity sports and a broad base of co-curricular activities.



GRAND VIEW COLLEGE

1200 Grandview Avenue • Des Moines, IA 50316

Home Page: www.gvc.edu

County: Polk

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning

Commission of the NCA, National League of Nursing, State Board of Nursing, IA Dept. of Education

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,759 Undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$16,940

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,596

Est. Books and Supplies: \$800

Admissions Director: Diane Johnson

515-263-2810 or 800-444-6083

FAFSA Code: 001867

County Population: 400,000

Control/Affiliation: Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts, Teacher Education, Nursing, Business, Graphic Design, Pre-Professional

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS-GED

Financial Aid Director: Michele Dunne

515-263-2820

Believing that each person has innate qualities and abilities which, when developed, can lead to a productive life, Grand View serves a diverse student body of both residential and commuter students. Grand View's location in Des Moines, a financial, communications, and political hub, provides educational partnership opportunities that emphasize interaction with professionals, internships, and volunteer service experiences.

The programs offered by the college are designed to prepare students for the world of work, service, and graduate or professional study. Grand View offers Bachelor of Arts degree and the Bachelor of Science programs for teacher endorsement and licensure, selected graduate courses, certificate programs, educational and cultural programs, and institutes, conferences and camps for the Des Moines and larger communities.



IOWA'S INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

GRINNELL COLLEGE

Office of Admission • Grinnell, IA 50112-1690

Home Page: www.grinnell.edu

County: Poweshiek

Setting: Small Town

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,551 Undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$29,030

On-Campus Room & Board: \$7,700

Est. Books and Supplies: \$600

Dean of Admissions & Financial

Aid: Jim Sumner 641-269-3600

or 800-247-0113

FAFSA Code: 001868

County Population: 19,033

Control/Affiliation: Independent

Highest Offering or Degree: BA

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts & Sciences

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing:

February 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

Very Selective

Financial Aid Director: Arnold Woods

641-269-3250



Grinnell College is an undergraduate, four-year, coeducational, residential college that seeks to develop in students both analytical and imaginative thinking in the liberal arts and sciences. The college exists to serve students directly and society indirectly; the ultimate goal is to educate citizens and leaders for our republic and the world beyond our borders. To this end, our graduates are equipped to pursue successful careers, satisfying personal lives, effective community service, and intellectually satisfying and physically active leisure. Selective in admission, the college is a multicultural residential community open to the intellectually qualified who are willing to participate. The college supports and encourages a faculty of active scholars whose primary mission is to teach.

IOWA WESLEYAN COLLEGE

601 North Main Street • Mt. Pleasant, IA 52641

Home Page: www.iwc.edu

County: Henry

Setting: Agricultural/
Industrial Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 849 Undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$17,800

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,530

Est. Books and Supplies: \$800

Admissions Director: Mark Petty

319-385-6231 or 800-582-2383

FAFSA Code: 001871

County Population: 20,000

Control/Affiliation: Private

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate
Types of Programs: Liberal Arts, General
and Teacher Preparation, and Nursing

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

2.0 GPA, 16 ACT

Financial Aid Director: Melissa Kilbride

319-385-6242 or 800-582-2383



Iowa Wesleyan College, established in 1842, is one of the oldest private, coeducational colleges west of the Mississippi River. Iowa Wesleyan seeks to foster a love of learning while educating students to make a difference through the conduct of their personal lives, through the acceptance of social and civic responsibility, and through a reasoned and humane pursuit of global justice.

Our academic program is guided by our vision of "Learning in Community." Through this vision the college produces learning by encouraging students to be active participants in their own education, learning from the full range of life experiences in the real world, while assuming personal responsibility for their own learning, as well as service to others.

IOWA'S INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

LORAS COLLEGE

1450 Alta Vista • Dubuque, IA 52001

Home Page: www.loras.edu

County: Dubuque

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,683 Undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$22,050

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,305

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,100

Admissions Director: Sharon Lyons
563-588-7236 or 800-245-6727

FAFSA Code: 001873

County Population: 90,000

Control/Affiliation: Roman Catholic

Highest Offering or Degree: Masters

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts and
Pre-Professional Programs

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 15

Minimum Admission Requirement:

Recommended minimum 2.5 GPA and
20 ACT score.

Financial Aid Director: Julie A. Dunn
563-588-7136 or 800-245-6727



Loras College, Iowa's oldest college, was founded in 1839. The campus is nestled on 60 acres atop the Mississippi River's highest bluffs. Loras is a Catholic, private, coeducational, liberal arts school offering more than 40 majors and 13 pre-professional programs. All full-time students receive laptop computers.

Extracurricular opportunities include more than 90 intramural activities and 55 student organizations. As a Division III school, Loras offers 21 men's and women's intercollegiate varsity sports. With a student body of 1,743, the average class size is 15. Current placement rates exceed 95%. More than 20 types of financial assistance are available.

LUTHER COLLEGE

700 College Drive • Decorah, IA 52101

Home Page: www.luther.edu

County: Winneshiek

Setting: Agricultural Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: 4-1-4

Enrollment: 2,545 Undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$26,380

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,290

Est. Books and Supplies: \$830

Admissions Director: Jon Lund
563-387-1430 or 800-458-8437

FAFSA Code: 001874

County Population: 21,188

Control/Affiliation: Evangelical Lutheran
Church in America

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS with Superior Aptitude

Director of Financial Planning:

Janice Cordell
563-387-1018 or 800-458-8437
Fax: 563-387-2241

Founded in 1861, Luther College is a four-year, liberal arts institution affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

One of the outstanding undergraduate institutions in the Midwest, Luther offers more than 60 majors and pre-professional programs leading to the bachelor of arts degree. 88% of Luther's 179 full-time faculty hold an earned doctorate or terminal degree. A Phi Beta Kappa chapter attests the academic excellence of the college. Thirty-six states and 26 countries are represented in the student body; co-curricular activities include 16 music ensembles and 19 intercollegiate sports. The scenic Decorah campus, with exceptional facilities and vistas of the Oneota Valley and the Upper Iowa River, rivals any in the region.



IOWA'S INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

MAHARISHI UNIVERSITY OF MANAGEMENT

1000 N. Fourth Street • Fairfield, IA 52557

Home Page: www.mum.edu

County: Jefferson

Setting: Entrepreneurial and
Agricultural Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 719 Students

Tuition & Fees: \$24,430

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,000

Est. Books and Supplies: \$800

Admissions Director:

Barbara Rainbow

641-472-1110 or 800-369-6480

FAFSA Code: 011113

County Population: 20,000

Control/Affiliation: Independent

Highest Offering or Degree: Doctorate

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts, General,
and Teacher Preparation

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 15

Minimum Admission Requirement:
HS-GED

Financial Aid Director:

Bill Christensen

641-472-1156 or 800-369-6480

MORNINGSIDE COLLEGE

1501 Morningside Avenue • Sioux City, IA 51106

Home Page: www.morningside.edu

County: Woodbury

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,149 Undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$18,940

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,930

Est. Books and Supplies: \$800

Admissions Director: Joel Weyand

712-274-5111 or 800-831-0806

FAFSA Code: 001879

County Population: 101,437

Control/Affiliation: United Methodist

Highest Offering or Degree: Masters

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts, General,
Teacher Preparation & Professional

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

22 ACT and 2.5 GPA or top 50% of class

Financial Aid Director: Karen Gagnon

712-274-5159



Maharishi University of Management offers bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degree programs in the arts, sciences, humanities, and business. The university is nonsectarian and is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission.

All students at the university practice the most ancient, most researched, and most effective form of meditation – the Transcendental Meditation® technique – for unbounded awareness and inner peace.

Students take one course at a time, eliminating the stress of homework and exams in several subjects at once. All aspects of campus life nourish the body and mind, including organic vegetarian meals served fresh daily. Visitors Weekends are held throughout the year.

The Morningside College experience cultivates a passion for lifelong learning, and a dedication to ethical leadership and civic responsibility. Morningside College offers a total experience. Students develop various dimensions of themselves through the liberal arts core curriculum, a complete range of majors, internships, independent study, and career and graduate school advising services.

Within six months of graduation, more than 95% of graduates are employed or admitted to graduate school.



IOWA'S INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

MOUNT MERCY COLLEGE

1330 Elmhurst Drive, NE • Cedar Rapids, IA 52402-4798

Home Page: www.mtmercy.edu

County: Linn

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning

Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: 4-1-4

Enrollment: 1,490 Undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$18,930

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,970

Est. Books and Supplies: \$840

Dean of Admission:

James Krystokiak

319-368-6460 or

800-248-4504 ext. 6460

FAFSA Code: 001880

County Population: 194,000

Control/Affiliation: Roman Catholic

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts and
General, Nursing, Teacher Preparation,
Professional

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

19 ACT, 2.50 HS GPA, Upper 50% of Class

Interim Director of Financial Aid:

Aaron Steffens

319-368-6467 or

800-248-4504 ext. 6467



You can see your future from here! Enjoy our 40-acre park-like hilltop with a commanding view of downtown Cedar Rapids, one of the Midwest's most thriving and entertainment-rich small cities. Attend minor league baseball and hockey games at new stadiums, and enjoy the IMAX, a noted art museum and the symphony. Thrive in our small college world that offers big choices in more than 30 major areas of study. Come visit us. Contact Mount Mercy College at 1-800-248-4504, e-mail www.admission@mtmercy.edu or visit our Web site at www.mtmercy.edu.

NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE

101 Seventh Street, SW • Orange City, IA 51041

Home Page: www.nwciowa.edu

County: Sioux

Setting: Agricultural Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning

Commission of the NCA,
NCATE, CSWE

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,273 Undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$18,296

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,210

Est. Books and Supplies: \$900

Director of Admissions:

Mark Bloemendaal

712-707-7130 or 800-747-4757

FAFSA Code: 001883

County Population: 31,355

Control/Affiliation: Reformed Church in
America

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate
Types of Programs: Liberal Arts, General
and Teacher Preparation

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS-GED

Director of Financial Services:

Gerry Korver

712-707-7131



Northwestern College emphasizes the development of the whole person – mind, body and spirit – in a caring, Christ-centered community. Northwestern integrates faith with rigorous learning in a way that imparts not just knowledge, but wisdom. Students are prepared for careers in a constantly changing workplace and, more importantly, they are prepared for lives of leadership and service.

The academic program includes more than 35 majors and numerous opportunities for off-campus study. Northwestern students are taught by faculty who have earned the highest degrees in their fields at such institutions as Notre Dame, Duke, Vanderbilt and UCLA. Most of Northwestern's buildings have been constructed or significantly renovated in the last 15 years.

IOWA'S INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

SIMPSON COLLEGE

701 North C Street • Indianola, IA 50125

Home Page: www.simpson.edu

County: Warren

Setting: Small Town/Suburban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 2,010 Undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$22,266

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,278

Est. Books and Supplies: \$900

Vice President of Enrollment:

Deborah Tierney

515-961-1624 or

800-362-2454 ext. 1624

FAFSA Code: 001887

County Population: 40,671

Control/Affiliation: United Methodist

Highest Offering or Degree: Masters

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts and
General, Teacher Preparation

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 20

Minimum Admission Requirement: High

School diploma/GED; Admissions Committee
evaluates high school transcript reflecting a
strong college prep curriculum, ACT/SAT scores,
and class rank, as well as recommendation(s).

Assistant V.P. of Enrollment & Financial

Assistance: Tracie Pavon

515-961-1630 or

800-362-2454 ext. 1630



Simpson College is more than a beautiful campus. The college has an outstanding faculty and renowned curricula, including more than 40 majors, minors, and pre-professional programs. A 4-4-1 calendar provides students with many interesting learning opportunities, including internships, career observations, and study programs both abroad and in the United States. Located just 12 miles from Des Moines, Iowa's capital and largest metropolitan area, Simpson's ideal location allows students the opportunity to enjoy both city sophistication and small-town charm. The beautiful 73-acre tree-lined campus provides a setting that nurtures creativity, energy, and productivity.

ST. AMBROSE UNIVERSITY

518 W. Locust Street • Davenport, IA 52803-2898

Home Page: www.sau.edu

County: Scott

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 3,623 Undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$19,460

On-Campus Room & Board: \$7,240

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,000

Admissions Office: Meg Halligan

563-333-6314 or 800-383-2627

FAFSA Code: 001889

County Population: 300,000

Control/Affiliation: Roman Catholic

Highest Offering or Degree: Doctorate

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts and General,
Teacher Preparation, Professional

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 15

Minimum Admission Requirement:

2.5 GPA or 20 ACT

Financial Aid Director: Julie Haack

563-333-6314

At St. Ambrose, you'll find a top-notch education tailored to your ambition and personalized to your needs. We start by offering more than 75 majors – a huge number for a small, student-centered school like ours – and the flexibility to mix majors, minors and electives to match your interests.

Our housing, which includes suite-style, apartment-style, and townhouse living, is said to be the best in the region. The university recently opened two new buildings: a new student center (complete with a cyber café, food court and game room,) and a new freshmen/sophomore residence hall. We have 18 varsity sports for men and women in a highly successful and varied athletic program.



IOWA'S INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

UNIVERSITY OF DUBUQUE

2000 University • Dubuque, IA 52001

Home Page: www.dbq.edu

County: Dubuque

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,200 Undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$18,260

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,200

Est. Books and Supplies: \$850

Dean of Admission: Jesse James
800-722-5583

FAFSA Code: 001891

County Population: 90,000

Control/Affiliation: United Presbyterian

Highest Offering or Degree: Doctorate

Types of Programs: Accounting, Aviation,
Biology, Business, Computer Graphics &
Interactive Media, Health, Wellness &
Recreation, Nursing, Philosophy, Psychology,
Religious Studies, Sociology, Speech
Communication

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

ACT or SAT required; GPA considered

Dean of Student Financial Planning:

Tim Kremer
563-589-3170



The University of Dubuque is a private, coeducational professional university with a focus on the liberal arts. Our commitment to nurturing the mind, body, and spirit, as well as encouraging students to explore their fullest potential, is part of a rich Christian heritage that dates back to the university's founding in 1852.

We strive to balance the cultural and spiritual values within traditional higher education with excellent professional preparation in programs planned for 21st century needs and opportunities – all linked with informed and inspired uses of technology. The university's program leadership in Aviation, Business, Computer Graphics/Interactive Media, Education, and Environmental Science is nationally recognized. Our welcoming interfaith community of approximately 1,200 students comes from across the country and around the globe.

UPPER IOWA UNIVERSITY

P.O. Box 1859 • Fayette, IA 52142

Home Page: www.uiu.edu

County: Fayette

Setting: Agricultural Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 5,716 Undergraduate

(including Fayette campus and
14 extended University Centers)

Tuition & Fees: \$18,778

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,815

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,150

Admissions Director:

Dr. Linda Larson-Hoopas
Parker Fox Hall, Box 1859
800-553-4150 opt. 2

FAFSA Code: 001893

County Population: 21,761

Control/Affiliation: Independent/Nonprofit

Highest Offering or Degree: Masters

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts, General,
and Teacher Preparation

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

2.0 GPA, 16 ACT

Financial Aid Director:

Jobyna Johnston
Parker Fox Hall, Box 1859
800-553-4150 opt. 3



Upper Iowa University is a four-year residential university that offers more than just strong academic programs that lead to rewarding careers. We offer you a complete college experience where you can balance your studies with athletics, clubs, campus activities, recreation, and all the other opportunities that make life at Upper Iowa special.

Upper Iowa is a campus balance of form and function with new and renovated classrooms and facilities. We also offer a community in balance by offering a unique "two-at-a-time" course schedule, an accelerated curriculum emphasis, and NCAA Division II athletics. Lastly, we offer a better balance for your budget with scholarships and financial aid that help make your education more affordable.

IOWA'S INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

VENNARD COLLEGE

2300 - 8th Avenue East • P.O. Box 29 • University Park, IA 52595

Home Page: www.vennard.edu

County: Mahaska

Setting: Agricultural Community

Accredited by: ABHE

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 114 Undergraduates

Tuition & Fees: \$9,600

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,600

Est. Books and Supplies: \$250

Admissions: 800-686-8391

FAFSA Code: 001894

County Population: 21,900

Control/Affiliation: Independent

Highest Offering or Degree: BA

Types of Programs: Bible/Christian Ministries

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1

Minimum Admission Requirement: 2.2

GPA, ACT 18 or SAT 870, HS Diploma/GED

Financial Aid: 641-673-8391



Vennard College is an interdenominational Christian College that prepares God's people for a variety of vocations. While seeking to educate the minds of its students, the school provides experiences that develop practical skills and focuses on programs that build Christian character. Since 1910, Vennard graduates have been serving Christ in countries all around the world with purpose, dignity, and confidence.

Today, Vennard College is equipping servant leaders...for life.

WALDORF COLLEGE

106 South Sixth Street • Forest City, IA 50436

Home Page: www.waldorf.edu

County: Winnebago

Setting: Agricultural Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning

Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 600 Undergraduate

Tuition: \$15,885

Fees: \$785

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,270

Est. Books and Supplies: \$880

Admissions Director: Steve Lovik

800-292-1903

FAFSA Code: 001895

County Population: 12,122

Control/Affiliation: Evangelical Lutheran

Church in America

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate

Types of Programs: Biology, Business, Communications, Computer Information Systems (CIS), Education, English, History, Humanities, Music, Physical Science/Chemical Engineering (dual degree with ISU), Psychology, Theatre, Wellness

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

2.0 GPA, 18 ACT

Financial Aid Director: Duane Polsdofer

800-292-1903



Founded in 1903, Waldorf College has been innovative in offering academic programs that are tailored to student needs. By combining a strong foundation of liberal arts and adding a required element of applied learning to every major area, Waldorf prepares students to be productive citizens of the world. Waldorf is accredited as a bachelor's college offering 30 different majors. Waldorf is known for its quality academics, fine music programs, athletic teams, and an emphasis on personal attention. Waldorf is a laptop college: Every full-time student receives a laptop computer for use while enrolled as a Waldorf student.

IOWA'S INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

WARTBURG COLLEGE

100 Wartburg Blvd. • P.O. Box 1003 • Waverly, IA 50677-0903

Home Page: www.wartburg.edu

County: Bremer

Setting: Rural Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: 4-4-1

Enrollment: 1,811 Undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$22,410

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,715

Est. Books and Supplies: \$800

Assistant Vice President

for Admissions: Brent Matthias
319-352-8264 or 800-772-2085

FAFSA Code: 001896

County Population: 23,455

Control/Affiliation: Evangelical Lutheran
Church in America

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts and
General, Teacher Preparation

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

19 ACT, Upper half of class, 2.5 HS GPA

Financial Aid Director: Jennifer Sassman

319-352-8262 or 800-772-2085



Wartburg is a private, Lutheran, liberal arts college with an enrollment of 1,811 students, including 94 international students from 37 countries. Dedicated to challenging and nurturing students for lives of leadership and service, the college is characterized by vigorous academic expectations within an environment of strong personal support.

A Wartburg education emphasizes undergraduate research, experiential learning through practicums, internships and cultural immersions; leadership development through workshops, mentoring, classwork, and community partnerships; as well as a focus on ethics, values, and multicultural and global experiences. May Term, part of Wartburg's 4-4-1 academic calendar, gives students unique opportunities for study abroad or participation in field experiences and internships. Notably, Wartburg has a five-year, full-time placement average of 97% of graduates who are placed in jobs or graduate schools within seven months of graduation.

WILLIAM PENN UNIVERSITY

201 Trueblood Avenue • Oskaloosa, IA 52577

Home Page: www.wmpenn.edu

County: Mahaska

Setting: Agricultural Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,800 Undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$16,215

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,982

Est. Books and Supplies: \$930

Vice President of Enrollment:

John Ottosson

641-673-1012 or 800-779-7366

FAFSA Code: 001900

County Population: 22,335

Control/Affiliation: Quaker

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts,
Pre-Professional, Teacher Preparation

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 15

Minimum Admission Requirement:

2.0 GPA, ACT 18, HS Diploma/GED

Financial Aid Director:

Cyndi Peiffer

641-673-1060



William Penn University offers a quality liberal arts education that is firmly rooted in leadership development. Professors who care about your personal goals, combined with opportunities for campus and community involvement, build an educational foundation that will prepare you for success!

Founded by Quaker pioneers, William Penn University embraces traditional values of integrity, simplicity, compassion, ethical practice, acceptance, tolerance, and service. It is also one of the most diverse campuses in Iowa, with students from 43 states and 10 countries.

IOWA'S PROPRIETARY COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

ASHFORD UNIVERSITY

400 N. Bluff Boulevard • Clinton, IA 52732

Home Page: www.ashford.edu

County: Clinton

Setting: Suburban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 416 Students

Tuition & Fees: \$15,744

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,800

Est. Books and Supplies: \$800

Admissions Director:

Waunita Sullivan
800-242-4153

FAFSA Code: 001881

County Population: 27,401

Control/Affiliation: Independent

Highest Offering or Degree: Masters

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts &
General, Teacher Preparation, Professional

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:
HS-GED

Financial Aid Director:

Lisa Kramer
800-242-4153



Founded in 1918 as Mount St. Clare College, Ashford University is an accredited, coeducational, liberal arts institution with programs in Education, Business, Computer Animation and Graphic Design and other areas. The university offers excellent academic programs, as well as a range of student activities and athletics at its Clinton campus. Students can earn degrees on the bachelor's and master's levels, and classes for many programs can be taken online for true educational convenience.

HAMILTON COLLEGE

Des Moines • Cedar Rapids • Cedar Falls • Council Bluffs • Mason City

Home Page: www.hamiltonia.edu

County: Linn

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Quarter

Enrollment: 2,800

Tuition & Fees: \$12,825

Est. Off-Campus Room & Board:
\$12,699

Est. Books and Supplies:

Provided by college

Admissions Director: Marcy Pischel
800-274-2530

FAFSA Code: 004220

County Population: 198,903

Control/Affiliation: Proprietary

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate

Types of Programs: Computer/Business/
Technology Related, Paralegal/Criminal
Justice, BS Applied Management, MS
Information Technology, Medical Assisting,
Practical Nursing, and Microsoft Certified
Programs

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: None

Minimum Admission Requirement:
HS Diploma, GED

Director of Finance: Cathy Gomez
800-274-2530

The mission of Hamilton College is to provide higher education with quality programs that integrate professional skills and career focus, assisting students to achieve both their personal and career potentials.

The college employs instructional methods based on adult learning theory, and is committed to the development of each student's intellectual, analytical, and critical-thinking abilities. Teaching techniques include group discussions and projects, lab work, simulations, demonstrations, field trips, guest speakers, and lectures.

Hamilton College provides assistance to eligible graduates in obtaining employment and provides classes, workshops, and advisory sessions that teach and guide them through the process of securing and maintaining employment.



4655 – 21st Street
Urbandale, IA 50323
800-383-0253

7009 Nordic Drive
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
800-728-1220

2570 – 4th Street S.W.
Mason City, IA 50401
800-274-2530

3165 Edgewood Pkwy S.W.
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404
800-728-0481

1751 Madison Ave. Suite 750
Council Bluffs, IA 51503
800-518-4212

KAPLAN UNIVERSITY

1801 E. Kimberly Road • Davenport, IA 52807

Home Page: www.kaplan.edu

County: Scott

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Quarter

Enrollment: 800

Tuition & Fees: \$12,960

Est. Off-Campus Room & Board:
\$12,420

Est. Books and Supplies:

Provided by college

Admissions Director:

Robert Hoffman

563-441-2496 or 800-747-1035

FAFSA Code: 004586

County Population: 160,000

Control/Affiliation: Proprietary

Highest Offering or Degree: Master's

Types of Programs: Certificate, Diploma,
Associate Degree and Bachelor's Degree

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS Diploma, GED

Assistant Financial Aid Director:

Connie Bishop

563-441-2445 or 800-747-1035



Kaplan University is located at 1801 East Kimberly Road, Davenport, Iowa. The college offers certificate, diploma, associate and bachelor of science degrees at the Davenport location and online learning of those same degrees through Kaplan College Distance Education at www.kaplancollege.edu. The college is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA).

CLINTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Eastern Iowa Community College District
1000 Lincoln Blvd. • Clinton, IA 52732

Home Page: www.eicc.edu

County: Clinton

Setting: Suburban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,328

Tuition & Fees: \$2,700

Est. Off-Campus Room & Board:

\$1,743 (with parent)

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,084

Admissions Office: Susan Carmody

800-637-0559

FAFSA Code: 001853

County Population: 50,149

Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: College Transfer Arts &
Sciences, Career/Technical

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

Open Admission

Financial Aid Officer: Teresa Thiede

563-244-7070



Clinton Community College is part of the Eastern Iowa Community College District, which also includes Scott and Muscatine Community Colleges. The district offers more than 40 career education programs and an equal number of college transfer concentrations. The colleges received the maximum accreditation from the North Central Association and work closely with Iowa's Regent institutions to ensure transferability of credits. Technology programs are kept up-to-date due to a strong relationship with the business community.

IOWA'S COMMUNITY COLLEGES

DES MOINES AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

2006 South Ankeny Blvd. • Ankeny, IA 50023

Other Campuses: Boone, Carroll, Newton, Urban Des Moines and West Des Moines

Home Page: www.dmacc.edu

County: Polk

Setting: Suburban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 24,780

Tuition & Fees: \$97 per credit hour for Iowa residents

Est. Off-Campus Room & Board: 9-month - \$4,914

Est. Books and Supplies: \$860

FAFSA Code: 004589

County Population: 400,000

Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: Terminal Occupational below the BA, 2 years creditable toward a BA

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

Ability to benefit from attendance

Enrollment Manager: Michael Lentsch
800-362-2127 ext. 6216 or 515-964-6216

Financial Aid Director: DeLores Hawkins
800-362-2127 ext. 6514 or 515-964-6514

Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC) is one of the largest post-secondary institutions in Iowa, although the school's class sizes and tuition are among the smallest. DMACC educates students for exciting careers, prepares students for transfer to four-year colleges and universities, provides new career opportunities for adults, and offers adult and continuing education programs at convenient on- and off-campus locations.

DMACC is responsive and flexible. It offers more than 70 programs leading to an Associate in Applied Science degree, Associate in General Studies degree, Associate in Arts degree, Associate in Science degree, diploma, certificate of specialization, or certificate of completion. Classes are offered on a semester schedule with fall, spring, and summer sessions, as well as evening and weekend classes.

For more information contact us 24 hours a day at www.dmacc.edu.



ELLSWORTH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Iowa Valley Community College District
1100 College Avenue • Iowa Falls, IA 50126

Home Page:

www.ellsworthcollege.com

County: Hardin

Setting: Agricultural Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,000

Tuition & Fees: \$3,705 for Iowa residents

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,210

Est. Books and Supplies: \$800

Admissions Director: Annie Stelow
800-322-9235 ext. 428

FAFSA Code: 001862

County Population: 25,600

Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: Arts & Sciences, Vocational, Career Option, 2 years creditable toward a BA

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: June 1

Minimum Admission Requirement: HS Diploma, GED

Financial Aid Director: Tara Miller
800-322-9235 ext. 432

Ellsworth Community College (ECC), operated by Iowa Valley Community College District, offers 34 career-oriented degree programs that combine classroom training with on-the-job experience to prepare graduates for employment.

ECC also offers Associate in Arts degrees that transfer easily toward baccalaureate degrees at most four-year colleges and universities.

Specific vocational-tech programs are Accounting, Agribusiness, Agricultural Science, Apparel Merchandising, Biotechnology, Business Administration, Carpentry, Computer Applications, Computer Network Management, Computer Science, Conservation Technology, Construction Technology, Criminal Justice, Equine Management, Farm Management, Laboratory Technology, Marketing, Masonry, Merchandising & Retail Management, Microsoft Office Specialist, Nursing (Associate Degree), Nursing (Practical), Office Administration/Computer Applications, and Swine Management.



IOWA'S COMMUNITY COLLEGES

HAWKEYE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

1501 E. Orange Rd., #1 • Waterloo, IA 50701

Home Page: www.hawkeyecollege.edu

County: Black Hawk

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 5,360

Tuition & Fees: \$2,724

Est. On-Campus Room & Board:
\$5,220

Est. Books and Supplies: \$800

Admissions Director: David Ball
319-296-4000 or 800-670-4743

FAFSA Code: 004595

County Population: 120,000

Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: Terminal Occupational
below the BA and college transfer

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

Ability to benefit from attendance

Financial Aid Director:

Lois Mulbrook
319-296-4020

Hawkeye is a comprehensive community college offering college transfer courses and more than 50 vocational areas of training. Hawkeye has earned a reputation for its small, hands-on classes utilizing leading-edge technology. Hawkeye offers academic programs in health, Business, Engineering and Technology, Power Technology, Arts and Human Studies, and Agriculture and Natural Resources. Hawkeye's technical program graduation rate is more than 94%.



Hawkeye's two-year transfer program allows students to complete the first two years of the four-year degree and works to assure seamless transfers. In fact, Hawkeye is the No. 1 source of new students to the University of Northern Iowa. Hawkeye's continuing education program provides many opportunities to acquire workplace skills, and works in partnership with businesses, industries, and community organizations to provide training services, including customized programs.

INDIAN HILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

525 Grandview Avenue • Ottumwa, IA 52501

Other Campus: Centerville

Home Page: www.indianhills.edu

County: Wapello

Setting: Agricultural/
Industrial Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Quarter

Enrollment: 3,677

Tuition & Fees: \$105 per credit hour
for Iowa residents

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,485

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,200

Admissions Director: Jane Sapp
641-683-5153 or 800-726-2585

FAFSA Code: 008298

County Population: 30,000

Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: Terminal Occupational
below the BA, 2 years creditable toward a BA

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1

Minimum Admission Requirement: Ability
to benefit from attendance

Financial Aid Office: Jo Altheide
641-683-5234 or 800-726-2585

Indian Hills Community College offers nationally recognized, state-of-the-art advanced technology programs, a strong two-year academic transfer/arts & sciences curriculum, outstanding health occupation fields, and a fun environment, all on two beautiful campuses in Ottumwa and Centerville.

Check out Laser/Electro-optics, Robotics/Automation, Computer Systems/Networks, and Electronics/Telecommunications or perhaps professional level instruction in Computer Programming, Aviation Pilot Training and Aviation Maintenance Technology.

Student activities abound, including wide-ranging campus activities, music and drama presentations, nationally competitive intercollegiate athletics, and intramural sports. Setting Indian Hills apart is its unique campus schedule: just four days per week, with classes held Monday through Thursday. Add that to four terms per year and you have maximum flexibility.



IOWA'S COMMUNITY COLLEGES

IOWA CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

330 Avenue M • Fort Dodge, IA 50501

Other Campuses: Storm Lake and Webster City

Home Page: www.iowacentral.edu

County: Webster

Setting: Agricultural/Industrial Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 5,500

Tuition & Fees: \$3,240

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,525

Est. Books and Supplies: \$850

Admissions Director:

Samantha McClain

800-362-2793 ext. 2400

FAFSA Code: 004597

County Population: 40,235

Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: Vocational-Technical Arts & Sciences College Transfer

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

Open Admission

Financial Aid Director:

Angie Martin

800-362-2793 ext. 2426

Iowa Central Community College is committed to preparing students for the responsibilities of tomorrow by focusing on academics, personal and professional growth, and relating well to people. Our vision is to increase the pool of well-rounded citizens who are fully prepared to meet their professional commitments, enrich their lives through service, and improve the quality of life for themselves. We offer growth opportunities that will enable students to make their mark on the world. Combining a challenging and rewarding academic environment within a positive and compassionate atmosphere provides an advantage that is unique to Iowa Central.



IOWA LAKES COMMUNITY COLLEGE

19 S. Seventh Street • Estherville, IA 51334

Other Campuses: Algona, Emmetsburg, Spencer, and Spirit Lake

Home Page: www.iowalakes.edu

County: Emmet

Setting: Agricultural Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 4,200

Tuition & Fees: \$3,672

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,350

Est. Books and Supplies: \$750

Dean of Enrollment Management:

Julie Carlson

800-521-5054 ext. 112

FAFSA Code: 001864

County Population: 11,000

Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: Arts & Sciences, Vocational, Career Option, 2 years credit towards a BA

Priority Deadline for Scholarships: April 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS Diploma or GED

Financial Aid Director:

John Beneke

800-242-5108 ext. 229

The picturesque Iowa Great Lakes Region provides the setting for Iowa Lakes Community College. The college is located in the heart of the northwest quadrant of the state of Iowa.

Iowa Lakes has developed a unique and respected role as a comprehensive community college. Founded in 1967,

Iowa Lakes Community College has provided quality, affordable education to the residents of northwest Iowa and southwest Minnesota for more than three decades. Iowa Lakes' two campuses, three centers, and interactive distance learning system facilitate educational access for rural residents. In addition to "traditional" learning opportunities, diversified offerings of online courses and continuing education enable part-time students to upgrade skills and raise their standards of living through evening and weekend courses. The college is dedicated to serving the changing educational needs of the communities and students of the region.



IOWA'S COMMUNITY COLLEGES

IOWA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

2700 College Road, Box 4C • Council Bluffs, IA 51502

Other Campus: Clarinda
Home Page: www.iwcc.edu
County: Pottawattamie
Setting: Suburban
Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA
Calendar System: Semester
Enrollment: 4,700
Tuition & Fees: \$2,640
On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,949
Est. Books and Supplies: \$800
Admissions Director: Brad Dirksen
 800-432-5852

FAFSA Code: 004598
County Population: 88,000
Control/Affiliation: State/Local
Highest Offering or Degree: Associate
Types of Programs: Terminal Occupational below the BA, 2 years creditable toward a BA
Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: May 1
Minimum Admission Requirement: HS Diploma or GED
Financial Aid Director: Blaine Duisternars
 800-432-5852



Situated on 250 wooded acres in southwest Iowa, Iowa Western Community College (IWCC) offers a great opportunity for high school students from throughout the area to receive quality education at an affordable price. IWCC offers more than 80 college programs to meet the needs of each individual. Students will find a caring, warm atmosphere on the campus and instructors who truly care about helping their students succeed.

IWCC offers a great chance for students to start on their bachelor's degrees with confidence, knowing that their credits will easily transfer to top four-year universities in the area. Western's technical programs offer state-of-the-art technology and hands-on experience, one of the many reasons why IWCC graduates are well respected and considered among the best in the work force.

KIRKWOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE

6301 Kirkwood Blvd., SW • P.O. Box 2068 • Cedar Rapids, IA 52406

Home Page: www.kirkwood.edu
County: Linn
Setting: Urban
Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA
Calendar System: Semester
Enrollment: 15,241
Tuition: \$2,970
Est. Off-Campus Room & Board: \$3,800
Est. Books and Supplies: \$670
Admissions Director: Doug Bannon
 800-332-2055 or 319-398-5517

FAFSA Code: 004076
County Population: 193,165
Control/Affiliation: State/Local
Highest Offering or Degree: Associate
Types of Programs: Terminal Occupational below the BA, 2 years creditable toward a BA
Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1
Minimum Admission Requirement: Ability to benefit from attendance
Financial Aid Director: Peg Julius
 319-398-1274

Kirkwood is a comprehensive community college serving the vocational and college transfer educational needs of recent high school graduates, as well as older adults needing education for career or personal needs. In addition to more than 110 credit programs, Kirkwood provides one of the largest continuing education programs in the nation, as well as customized training for area employers. In addition to its 585-acre Cedar Rapids campus, Kirkwood provides educational services in 10 Learning Centers throughout the seven counties served by the college.



Kirkwood provides a full complement of services for students, including personal and vocational counseling, and placement support. The average age of our students is 25. Kirkwood is serving a growing number of international students, as well as people throughout Iowa.

IOWA'S COMMUNITY COLLEGES

MARSHALLTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Iowa Valley Community College District
3700 South Center Street • Marshalltown, IA 50158

Home Page: www.marshalltowncommunitycollege.com

County: Marshall

Setting: Agricultural Community/
Suburban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,670

Tuition & Fees: \$3,870

On-Campus Room & Board: \$3,600

Est. Books and Supplies: \$800

Admissions Director: Deana Inman
641-751-7106 ext. 391
or toll free 866-622-4748

FAFSA Code: 001875

County Population: 36,000

Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: Arts and Sciences,
Vocational, Career Option, 2 years credit
able toward a BA

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS Diploma or GED

Financial Aid Director: Chloe Webb
641-752-7106 ext. 215
or toll free 866-622-4748

Marshalltown Community College, operated by the Iowa Valley Community College District, offers 23 career-oriented degree programs that provide the knowledge and hands-on training needed to enter the workplace. MCC also offers Associate in Arts degrees that transfer toward baccalaureate degrees at most four-year colleges and universities.

Specific vocational-technical programs are Accounting, Broadcast Technology, Business Administration, Carpentry, Child Development, Computer Applications, Computer Network Management, Computer Science, Construction Technology, Criminal Justice, Dental Assisting, Fisher Controls Process Management Technology, Hospitality Management, Industrial Maintenance Technology, Machine Trades/Tool and Die, Marketing, Mechanical Design/CAD Technology, Mechanical Design/Virtual Reality Technology, Microsoft Office Specialist, Nursing (Associate Degree), Nursing (Practical), Office Administration/Computer Applications, and Sustainable and Entrepreneurial Agriculture.



MUSCATINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Eastern Iowa Community College District
152 Colorado Street • Muscatine, IA 52761

Home Page: www.eicc.edu

County: Muscatine

Setting: Small Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,408

Tuition & Fees: \$2,700

Est. On-Campus Room & Board:
\$4,939

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,084

Admissions Director: Katie Watson
563-288-6012 or 800-351-4669

FAFSA Code: 001882

County Population: 41,772

Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: 2 year
Associate

Types of Programs: College Transfer Arts and
Sciences; Career/Technical

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

Open Admission

Financial Aid Officer: Debi Beatty
563-288-6060

Muscatine Community College is part of the Eastern Iowa Community College District, which also includes Clinton and Scott Community Colleges. The district offers more than 40 career education programs and an equal number of college transfer concentrations. The colleges received the maximum accreditation from the North Central Association and work closely with Iowa's Regent institutions to ensure transferability of credits. Technology programs are kept up-to-date due to a strong relationship with the business community.



IOWA'S COMMUNITY COLLEGES

NORTH IOWA AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

500 College Drive • Mason City, IA 50401

Home Page: www.niacc.com

County: Cerro Gordo

Setting: Agricultural/Industrial Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning

Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 3,134

Tuition & Fees: \$3,234

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,076

Est. Books and Supplies: \$770

Admissions Director: Rachel McGuire

641-422-4104 or 888-466-4222

FAFSA Code: 001877

County Population: 46,447

Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: Transfer, Career, Career

Option, Continuing Education

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

Ability to benefit from attendance

Financial Aid Director: Mary Bloomingdale

641-422-4351 or 888-466-4222



North Iowa Area Community College (NIACC) has served the North Iowa region for 85 years. The college operates a main campus in Mason City, a growing community located between Minneapolis and Des Moines. The countryside campus encompasses more than 500 acres of land, including contemporary instructional and recreational facilities, as well as lakeside student housing. NIACC offers the first two years toward a Bachelor's Degree in most fields and nearly 40 career programs in Business, Industrial Technology, Agriculture, and Health.

NORTHEAST IOWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Box 400 • Calmar, IA 52132

10250 Sundown Rd. • Peosta, IA 52068

Home Page: www.nicc.edu

County: Winneshiek & Dubuque

Setting: Agricultural Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning

Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 2,195 - Calmar;

2,663 - Peosta

Tuition & Fees: \$3,936

Est. Off-Campus Room & Board:

\$5,115

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,200

Admissions Director/Peosta:

Lee Noethe

800-728-7367 ext. 401

FAFSA Codes: 004587 Calmar; 012634 Peosta

County Population: 20,934 & 90,000

Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: Technical and Vocational,

2 years creditable toward a BA

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

Ability to benefit from attendance

Admissions Director/Calmar: Martha Keune

800-728-2256 ext. 376

Financial Aid Officer/Calmar: Jeff Murphy

800-728-2256 ext. 447

Financial Aid Officer/Peosta: Kim Baumler

800-728-7367 ext. 212

Northeast Iowa Community College (NICC) is a comprehensive community college serving the transfer, technical, and vocational education needs of the region's residents, businesses and industries. NICC offers the Associate of Arts degree and general education courses that readily transfer to four-year colleges and universities, as well as leading-edge vocational and technical program options.



The campuses at Peosta and Calmar, along with conveniently located centers in Cresco, downtown Dubuque, Manchester, New Hampton, and Oelwein, feature modern and attractive facilities. Every campus and center is equipped with ICN classrooms and computer labs so students can earn a quality, two-year degree close to home.

Recent studies show 97 percent of NICC graduates find employment within the first six months after graduation.

NORTHWEST IOWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

603 West Park Street • Sheldon, IA 51201

Home Page: www.nwicc.edu

County: O'Brien

Setting: Agricultural Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,661

Tuition & Fees: \$3,820

Est. Off-Campus Room & Board: \$5,400

Est. Books and Supplies:

9-month - \$850

Director of Enrollment Management:

Lisa Story

800-352-4907

FAFSA Code: 004600

County Population: 15,000

Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: Terminal Occupational below the BA, 2 years creditable toward a BA

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

Ability to benefit from attendance

Financial Aid Director: Karna Hofmeyer
800-352-4907

Northwest Iowa Community College offers both vocational technical programs and arts and science transfer courses—43 programs in all.

For students who have chosen the baccalaureate degree track, NCC is a smart place to start a college education. It's more affordable to get your first two years at NCC and then transfer to a 4-year university. Small class sizes ensure personal attention needed to succeed.



The vocational technical programs can prepare you in two years or less with skills needed in some of the largest and fastest growing occupations. In addition to many well-known established programs, NCC offers 4 programs which can not be found anywhere else in the state of Iowa: Powerline, Industrial Instrumentation and Control, Advanced Standing Electrical Technology, and Heavy Equipment. Instructors are eager to share their "on the job" experience with their students.

SCOTT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Eastern Iowa Community College District • 500 Belmont Road • Bettendorf, IA 52722

Home Page: www.eicc.edu

County: Scott

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 4,507

Tuition & Fees: \$2,700

Est. Off-Campus Room & Board: \$1,743 (with parent)

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,084

Admissions Specialist:

Quinn Kretchmann

563-441-4000 or 800-895-0811

FAFSA Code: 004074

County Population: 158,668

Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: College transfer arts and Sciences; Career/Technical

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

Open Admission

Financial Aid Officer:

Jeannine Ingelson

563-441-4040



Scott Community College is part of the Eastern Iowa Community College District, which also includes Clinton and Muscatine Community Colleges. The district offers more than 40 career education programs and an equal number of college transfer concentrations. The colleges received the maximum accreditation from the North Central Association and work closely with Iowa's Regent institutions to ensure transferability of credits. Technology programs are kept up-to-date due to a strong relationship with the business community.

IOWA'S COMMUNITY COLLEGES

SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

1500 W. Agency Road • P.O. Box 180 • West Burlington, IA 52655-0180

Other campus: Keokuk

Home Page: www.scciowa.edu

County: Des Moines

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 3,127

Tuition & Fees: \$3,060

On-Campus Room & Board: \$3,600

Est. Books and Supplies: \$790

Senior Enrollment Officer:

Dana Chrisman
866-SCC-IOWA ext. 8135

FAFSA Code: 004603

County Population: 42,000

Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: Terminal Occupational
below the BA, 2 years creditable toward a BA

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

Ability to benefit from attendance

Financial Aid Director:

Gwen Scholer
800-828-7322 ext. 8132



It is the mission of Southeastern Community College (SCC) to provide quality, affordable and accessible life long learning opportunities that meet or exceed the expectations of the people we serve. SCC has two main campuses, West Burlington (North) and Keokuk (South), and also offers classes at the Fort Madison and Mt. Pleasant centers. SCC offers more than 35 Career Education Programs including Respiratory Care, Chemical Dependency Counselor, Horticulture, and Information Technology. General education courses are offered during the day, evening, and weekend.

SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

1501 W. Townline Street • Creston, IA 50801

Home Page: www.swcciowa.edu

County: Union

Setting: Agricultural Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,300

Tuition & Fees: \$3,600

On-Campus Room & Board: \$3,800

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,030

Admissions Director: Lisa Carstens

641-782-7081 or 800-247-4023

FAFSA Code: 001857

County Population: 12,309

Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: 2 years creditable toward
a BA, Adult and Continuing Education

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

Ability to benefit from attendance

Financial Aid Director: Tracy Sleep

641-782-7081 or 800-247-4023



Southwestern Community College exists so Area XIV community members have the opportunity to gain skills and knowledge sufficient for successful employment, higher education achievement, or adult and continuing education skills.

Because we are a comprehensive community college, our students receive a solid foundation in liberal arts, and credits transfer easily to four-year institutions. Vocational programs are also offered in a number of occupational and career education fields for students who choose to complete a hands-on education and go directly into the work force.

Southwestern also has center locations in Red Oak and Osceola.

WESTERN IOWA TECH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

4647 Stone Avenue • Box 5199 • Sioux City, IA 51106-5199

Home Page: www.witcc.edu

County: Woodbury

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 8,026

Tuition & Fees: \$3,390

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,200

Est. Books and Supplies: \$900

Admissions Director:

Lora Vander Zwaag

712-274-6400 or 800-352-4649

FAFSA Code: 004590

County Population: 103,331

Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: Terminal Technical and Arts & Sciences below the BA

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS Diploma, GED, or ability to benefit

Financial Aid Director: Don Duzik

712-274-6402



Western Iowa Tech Community College offers a broad range of programs to nearly 8,000 students registered for credit classes. Among last fall registrants, 41 percent enrolled in arts and sciences and 59 percent were enrolled in technical programs. Throughout the year, 774 students graduated with one or more awards. The vast majority of these graduates (93 percent) became employed or continued their education. More than 270 employers hired WITCC graduates and more than 1,800 transcripts were sent to colleges and universities across the country. These strong numbers reflect the college's attractive features: affordable tuition, flexible scheduling, active campus life, and quality education.

ALLEN COLLEGE

1825 Logan Avenue • Waterloo, IA 50703

Home Page: www.allencollege.edu

County: Black Hawk

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Iowa Board of Nursing, Higher Learning Commission of the NCA, N.L.N., JRCERT, ACN

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 404

Tuition & Fees: \$13,819

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,712

Est. Books and Supplies: \$891

Admissions Director: Holly Risetter

319-226-2002

FAFSA Code: 030691

County Population: 150,000

Control/Affiliation: Iowa Health System, Inc.

Highest Offering or Degree: Masters

Types of Programs: Nursing and Radiology

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: May 1

Minimum Admission Requirement: HS

ranking in the upper half of graduating class or a GED equivalent, 20 ACT score, 2.7 on all college and HS coursework

Recruiter: Molly Quinn

319-226-2001

Financial Aid Director: Kathie S. Walters

319-226-2003



Allen College is a quality, private, multipurpose college for Nursing and Radiography. To provide general education courses, Allen College has developed a unique relationship with the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls. Our Master of Science in Nursing program offers a family Nurse Practitioner, Health Educator, or Leadership in Health Care Delivery emphasis. Our Bachelor of Science in Nursing program is designed to prepare a generalist in nursing who can function in a variety of health care settings. Our Associate of Science in Radiography program offers a wide variety of educational opportunities for the student radiographer.

COLLEGES FOR NURSING & HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONS

DES MOINES UNIVERSITY

3200 Grand Avenue • Des Moines, IA 50312

Home Page: www.dmu.edu

County: Polk

Setting: Urban

Calendar System: Varied

Enrollment: 1492

Tuition: Division of Health Management -

\$405 per credit hour

Osteopathic Medicine - \$31,720

Podiatric Medicine - \$23,300

Physician Assistant - \$22,300

Physical Therapy - \$19,650

Post Professional DPT - \$375

per credit hour (alumni)

or \$425 per credit hour (non-alumni)

Est. Off-Campus Room & Board:

\$19,083

Est. Books and Supplies: \$3,050

FAFSA Code: 015616

County Population: 400,000

Control/Affiliation: Independent, Nonprofit

Highest Offering or Degree: DO, DPM,

DPT, PA, MPH, MHA

Types of Programs: Professional

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 15

Minimum Admission Requirement: Varies

Director of Admission: Jamie Rehmann

515-271-1451

Financial Aid Director: Mary Payne

515-271-1470



The university is committed to training health professionals who will provide distinctive, effective, and humanistic care for our nation's citizens. To achieve this goal, the university stresses a commitment to teaching and research in the healing arts; in the science and art of osteopathic medicine and surgery; in the science and art of podiatric medicine and surgery; and in the instruction and training of medical administrators, technologists, and other paramedical personnel. The unique aspect of our mission is our osteopathic educational philosophy, which emphasizes holistic medicine and wellness, and weaves our academic community into an osteopathic university.

MERCY COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

928 Sixth Avenue • Des Moines, IA 50309-1239

Home Page: www.mchs.edu

County: Polk

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning

Commission of the NCA, NLN, NLNAC,

JRCERT, JRCDS, CRNE, CAAHEP/ARC-

St., Iowa Board of Nursing

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 650 Undergraduates

Tuition & Fees: \$12,425

Est. On-Campus Room & Board:

\$4,400

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,200

FAFSA Code: 006273

County Population: 400,000

Control/Affiliation: Religious Sisters of Mercy

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate

Types of Programs: Nursing, Allied Health,

Health Care Management

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: June 30

Minimum Admission Requirement: Min.

ACT Score of 18 and/or 2.25 GPA

Admissions: Susan Rhoades

515-643-6605 or 800-637-2994 ext. 36605

Financial Aid Coordinator: Wayne Dille

515-643-6611 or 800-637-2994 ext. 36611

Mercy College of Health Sciences provides students with a critical balance of classroom and hands-on clinical experience. In addition to a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing and a Bachelor of Health Care Management Degree, Mercy offers associate degrees in Nursing, Medical Assistance, Radiological or Surgical Technology, Cardiac Ultrasound, and Abdominal Ultrasound degree program. In addition, we offer an Advanced Specialties Certificate in Nuclear Medicine.

Besides learning from Mercy's highly qualified faculty, you'll receive extensive clinical experience with experts at Mercy Hospital and other health care facilities. You'll have the benefit of Mercy College's library, labs, and computer resources, the solid foundation of a rich liberal arts education, and many forms of financial assistance.



COLLEGES FOR NURSING & HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONS

PALMER COLLEGE OF CHIROPRACTIC

1000 Brady Street • Davenport, IA 52803

Home Page: www.palmer.edu

County: Scott

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: CCE, Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Trimester

Enrollment: 1,800

Tuition & Fees:

3 Trimesters - \$23,475

Est. Off-Campus Room & Board:

3 Trimesters - \$17,592

Est. Books and Supplies: \$2,052

FAFSA Code: 012300

County Population: 160,000

Control/Affiliation: Independent, Nonprofit

Highest Offering or Degree: DC, MS
Anatomy and Clinical Research

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1

Minimum Admission Requirement: 90

Semester Hours of Undergraduate Study

Admissions Office: 800-722-3648, ext. 1

Financial Aid Director: Brenda Gran

800-722-3648, ext. 2



The mission of Palmer College of Chiropractic, based upon the Palmer Tenets, is to educate and prepare students to become Doctors of Chiropractic qualified to serve as direct access primary health care providers and clinicians, including wellness promotion, health assessment, diagnosis and the chiropractic management of the patient's health care needs. Palmer is committed to advancing the understanding of chiropractic through research; to providing service to the field of chiropractic, including continuing education; and to serving humanity through patient care and community education.

ST. LUKE'S COLLEGE

2720 Stone Park Blvd • Sioux City, IA 51104

Home Page: www.stlukescollege.edu

County: Woodbury

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Iowa Board of Nursing, Higher Learning Commission of NCA, NLN, NLNAC, JRCERT, NAACLS, CAAHEP, CoARC

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 154 Undergraduates

Tuition & Fees: \$12,840

On-Campus Board: \$500

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,250

Admissions Office: Sherry McCarthy
712-279-3149 or
800-352-4660, ext. 3158

FAFSA Code: 007291

County Population: 105,000

Control/Affiliation: St. Luke's Regional Medical Center

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: Nursing, Radiologic Technology, Respiratory Care and Medical Technology

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement: HS GPA of 2.5 or GED and ACT of 19; or college GPA of 2.3 on transferable credit

Coordinator of Financial Aid/Registrar:

Danelle Johannsen 712-279-3149 or
800-352-4660, ext. 3377



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Capri College
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Dayton's School of Hair Design
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Faust Institute of Cosmetology
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Iowa School of Beauty
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Iowa School of Beauty
3305 70th Street
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Web site: iowaschoolofbeauty.com

Professional Cosmetology Institute
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LaJames College of Hairstyling
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